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Driving drunk. Calgary police inspector says message, education appear to be working

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Stampede and booze often mix, but Calgary police stats suggest Calgarians partied more responsibly during this year's Greatest Outdoor Show on Earth.

During this year's centennial Calgary Stampede, impaired-driving occurrences logged by the CPS plummeted 55 per cent compared with the 2011 Stampede, and it was the lowest recorded number over the last five years.

In a report compiled by the Calgary Police Service, 57 impaired-driving occurrences were reported from July 6 to 15 — significantly lower than 129 occurrences in 2011.

Numerous factors are behind the steep drop, said CPS traffic section acting Insp. Michael Watterston

"A big one in my mind would be the amount of attention impaired driving has gotten over the last six months," he said.

"So I would say impaired driving has been on peoples' minds."

MADD Canada's national president Denise Dubyk said she is pleasantly surprised by the decline in the numbers.

"Do we still have a ways to go? Yes we do. Did we have a fatality? Yes we did. And that should not happen. So we are not at the end of the road, but this is a very positive number for Stampede," Dubyk said.

Factors

CPS traffic section acting Insp. Michael Watterston said that new provincial drunk-driving legislation that came into effect July 1 also may have made people more cautious during the centennial festivities.

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Mobile news

Even when bounding high into the air, Olympic trampolinists still have to keep an eye on the ground. Scan the code for one Canadian Olympian's secrets on staying on point and positioned.

Residents of the southeast community Erin Woods, like Lori Lenton, are concerned with the escalating number of sex-related incidents in their neighbourhood after an 83-year-old woman was flashed on Wednesday night. CANDICE WARD/FOR METRO

Alleged flasher has Erin Woods community on edge

Criminal activity. Calgary Police Service is reminding residents of southeast neighbourhood to take precautions in light of recent events

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Residents of a southeast Calgary community are concerned for their safety after a man allegedly broke into a senior's home and exposed himself Wednesday night.

According to police, a suspect entered a home in the 200 block of Erin Woods Circle S.E. around 10:30 p.m. Wednesday. An 83-year-old woman was home at the time, and the intruder allegedly exposed himself. The woman locked herself in a room and called police.

Neighbours were concerned by the incident, the fourth such occurrence in the past two months. Three other instances of groping or peeping have been reported in the Erin Woods area since June.

"It does bother me. (You wonder) whether it's safe to leave your home anymore," said Della Sokolik, 65, who added that she was followed in the Erin Woods area by a suspicious person last year.

She said her neighbourhood is getting worse.

"My husband says, 'Don't open the windows at night.' I won't — not with that going on," she said.

Police safety tips

- Stay in busy, well-lit areas and avoid dark, deserted places.
- If possible, avoid being out alone.
- Develop a safety plan: Let someone you trust know where you are going, and when to expect you back.

Source: Calgary Police Service

Lori Lenton, a mother of two young children, living in a nearby home, said she'll be keeping a closer eye on the kids.

"I'm really nervous," she said.

"The only reason I did move here was because of the security system."

Police said the four Erin Woods incidents are unrelated, a coincidence that could occur in any neighbourhood.

"There's been no definitive link between these incidents and the other three," said CPS Insp. Dale Ruzycki.

That's an unsettling thought for Sokolik.

"If they're not connected then there's more out there," she said.

Good-luck coin

Mint hopes Lucky Loonie will inspire Olympic gold

With lucky pennies on their way out, the Royal Canadian Mint created a new commemorative coin with the hope of boosting Canada's Olympic podium chances.

The 2012 Lucky Loonie, unveiled in Calgary Thursday, will serve as a good-luck charm for Canadian athletes competing in London during the Olympic and Paralympic Games, with each athlete receiving their own Lucky Loonie coin upon arrival in England.

Royal Mint CEO Ian E. Bennett said the new coin was inspired by the infamous good-luck coin that was planted in the ice at the 2002 Salt Lake City Games.

Former Olympian and Chef de Mission of the 2012 Canadian Olympic Team Mark Tewksbury said he himself drew inspiration from a lucky charm during his 1992 gold-medal win.

"A little luck never hurt anyone," he said. "And that is where the Lucky Loonie comes in."

Five million of the newly minted coins, which feature its namesake bird, the loon, as it's spreading its wings, entered circulation on Thursday.

At the unveiling, Calgary East MP Deepak Obhrai, heartily joked with attendees the new commemorative coin will "only cost you a dollar."

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Deepak Obhai, left, Ian E. Bennett and Mark Tewksbury at the Lucky Loonie unveiling Thursday. CELESTE DE MUELENAERE/FOR METRO

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Track cyclist Monique Sullivan practises for her Olympic debut in London. CONTRIBUTED/GUY NAPERT-FRENETTE

Calgary cyclist tackles first-Olympics jitters — but mom's a wreck

Nerves. Monique Sullivan's family takes on their share of tension in run-up to London Games

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When first-time Olympic track cyclist Monique Sullivan is at the starting line, she says a nervous calm comes over her. Her mom, however, said she isn't quite as composed.

The 23-year-old Calgarian has spent the past 18 months travelling to 12 races in places such as China and Argentina in an effort to make it to the London Olympics.

"Qualifying for the Olympics was a huge goal for me, and I actually feel like once I qualified, there was a bit of pressure off my shoulders," Sullivan said from Los Angeles, where she trains.

Her mother, Suzanne Leclerc, echoed her daughter's sentiments, saying there's only one word to describe what she's feeling. "Relief," she said. "It's just a five-letter word, but it's indescribable relief."

With Sullivan travelling internationally, Leclerc said she and her husband haven't had the chance to go to many of their daughter's recent races, but she's hoping she can bear watching her perform in London.

"I can watch anybody else on the track, but when she's on there, my heart and my stomach — I'm in a knot and I can hardly breathe."

Quoted

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Suzanne Leclerc, mother of cyclist Monique Sullivan, who is getting ready for her Olympic debut

Sullivan on the other hand, said her goal is to be present when she's on the track.

"I'm a little bit shaky, but I know what I need to do," she said. "Even though it's not like any other race, my job is still the same."

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New wheels. Car-share program to launch 150 vehicles in Calgary

Finding a car to zip around Calgary in will be as easy as checking your smartphone and swiping a card, according to car2go officials, after they launch 150 vehicles this weekend in Cowtown.

Originating in Austin, Texas, in 2010, car2go allows members to locate the nearest Smart Fortwo vehicle using GPS, book the car online, swipe their membership card and begin driving.

"We consider it car-sharing 2.0," said president and CEO of car2go Canada Nicholas Cole. "They can rent a car on demand, with or without a reservation, and they can use the car for as long as they need to and return it within our home area."

The service costs $35 for a membership, and 35 cents per minute or $12.99 per hour. Gas, insurance and parking in certain lots are included and the car can be dropped off at any point within certain boundaries extending from Glenmore Trail north to 16 Avenue N. and from Sarcee Trail S.W. east to around Deerfoot Trail.

Calgary becomes the third city in Canada with a car2go program alongside Toronto and Vancouver. For more information, visit Calgary.car2go.com.

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President and CEO of car2go Canada, Nicholas Cole, stands with some of the 150 vehicles that will hit Calgary streets Saturday. KATIE TURNER/METRO

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Growing up, I was such a huge fan of his and all things wrestling that I couldn't help but be overwhelmed with emotion. As he made his way through the crowd, I ended up shedding a few tears.

It's that emotion I'm sure many people will feel this weekend when UFC finally makes its debut in our city. Yes, just five days after the Stampede, we're trading in the sweat and dirt of cowboys in for the sweat and dirt of mixed-martial-arts fighters.

You'd probably think that I have a problem with the UFC, but in reality I don't. If people want to fight in the ring and get paid for it, so be it. I actually have the same philosophy for exotic dancers: If people are willing to throw money at naked dancers and then still go home alone, then good for the dancers.

But my problem lies in the money people are spending when it comes to the big UFC fight. The top-tier tickets for UFC 149 go for just over $700 a ticket. I know that there are people in Calgary who have a lot of money, but that is above what some people pay for an entire month's rent.

And is it even worth it? I've never actually seen a UFC fight, so maybe that's why I don't understand the cost, but when I want to see people fight, I just go to the Calgary Zoo and watch exhausted parents battle with their kids over ice cream. Or I'll invite my entire family over for dinner.

Are the people who are spending this much money on a ticket just unaware of what $700 can buy them in this city?

I did some math, and with that much money you can buy 28 tickets to the upcoming production of Evil Dead: The Musical, or 49 of your buddies can be treated to a visit to the Glenbow Museum. Or maybe, you're looking for that adrenaline high that some get from watching sports — well, for $700, a family of four can buy an entire season's worth of tickets to see the Okotok Dawgs play baseball.

I know it's not in a hot stadium, nor is there a cage, but when it comes to spending money, you should pay what it's worth and not what the promoter has convinced you to spend.

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Fire code

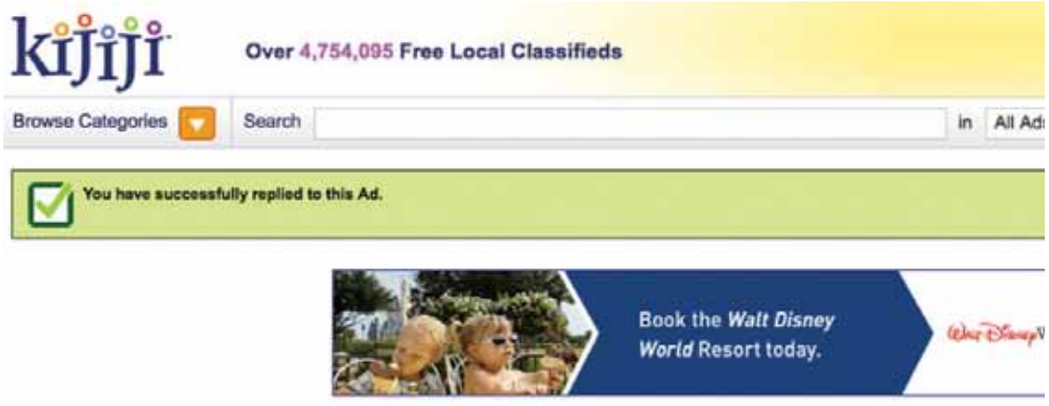
Charges laid against Calgary metal recycler

Seventeen charges under the Safety Codes Act were laid against a Calgary metal-recycling facility after an investigation into a fire that kept firefighters busy for two weeks.

The charges against Calgary Metal Recycling Inc. and 3415 Ogden Holdings Inc. include infractions for the height and size of storage piles, lack of space between piles and buildings, and lack of an appropriate access route for fire-department vehicles.

All charges were related to the Alberta Fire Code, fire officials said. It's the first time the companies have been charged under the act, and the maximum penalty for each charge is $15,000.

The first court appearance is scheduled for Sept. 5. **METRO**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Calgarian Conan Evanik posted this ad on Kijiji asking for assistance getting around the Stampede grounds. Within 24 hours of posting the ad, he was at the Stampede. SCREENSHOT

Blind man's Kijiji ad pays off in friendships

Wanted help getting around Stampede grounds. Calgary man decided to get creative in meeting new people

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It's been a few years since Calgarian Conan Evanik has gone to the Stampede.

Blind since birth, Evanik has learned to do most things on his own, but navigating the Stampede grounds alone was one challenge he wasn't comfortable taking on.

A wild ride

"I love wild rides and I love getting out, but my problem is, whether I like it or not, sometimes I'm at the mercy of sighted people."
Calgarian Conan Evanik

"I love wild rides and I love getting out, but my problem is, whether I like it or not, sometimes I'm at the mercy of sighted people," he said.

On a whim, Evanik decided to post an ad to Kijiji soliciting for some assistance, and also hoping to meet new people.

"Despite my challenges, I've heard a lot of other people who don't have challenges like I do say, 'How the heck do I meet people?'" he said. "I was trying to get a little creative, and in my case, it worked."

Within 24 hours, Evanik said he had several responses. For instance, a woman offered to take him to the grounds, and a couple wanted to make a day trip with him to Calaway Park.

Peter Harcsa was the first to respond to Evanik's ad after stumbling upon it while looking for cheap ride passes for him and his family to use at the Stampede.

"I genuinely believe in helping people out," he said. "Normally I get a lot more out of it than even they do."

Evanik said he spent the day riding rides and eating fair food. The two men both said they've since formed a friendship that will continue.

"One thing I would like to say is, thank you Calgary for helping me out."

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UFC's first time won't be its last time in Cowtown: White

Fanfare. Several fans said tickets are worth the cost even after the card changes

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Before the first punch had been thrown in UFC 149, president Dana White was making commitments to return to Calgary next year.

White and six of the fighters set to step into the ring Saturday, including Renan Barao and Urijah Faber, answered media and fan questions Thursday ahead of the event.

When White first announced UFC 149 in Calgary in March, he promised a "sick card," but injuries to several fighters, including Jose Aldo, caused a major rejigging to the lineup.

"This is definitely a card that was plagued with injuries," said White.

Despite the changes, White promised the current card won't disappoint.

"We're going to blow the doors off this place Saturday night," he promised.

Calgary fans Stefan Eftaxias and Blaine Worobetz said they don't doubt the fight will be a good one.

"We tried to get (tickets) when they came online, and we weren't able to get them, so we managed to get them through somebody else that didn't like the card anymore," said Worobetz.

Roydon Mitton said he was disappointed when injuries started to knock fighters off the card, but with UFC coming to Calgary for the first time, he said he couldn't pass up the chance.

"Just to see it live, it's an incredible experience," he said. "I'll always go see UFC."

White told fans this won't be the only time they'll set up shop in Cowtown.

"We're coming back to Calgary again."

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Ultimate Fighting Championship fighter Renan Barao, right, from Brazil, and Urijah Faber, from Sacramento, Calif., square off following a news conference in Calgary on Thursday. JEFF MCINTOSH/THE CANADIAN PRESS

In the event of an emergency, check the marker

Public Safety Communications (the City of Calgary's 911 Centre) has posted location markers along Centre City, Bow River, the Elbow River and Fish Creek pathways in a pilot project, which will assist callers in identifying their exact location in the event of an emergency. CANDICE WARD/METRO

A new pilot program has given emergency crews a new tool to assist people in distress along Calgary's pathways.

Pathway location markers have been placed along three high-traffic pathways in the city to help people properly communicate their location when in need.

"Our goal is to help provide assistance to citizens as efficiently and seamlessly as possible," said Nina Vaughan, commander of Public Safety Communications.

"Since Calgary has more than 700 kilometres of pathways, it is not always easy to articulate where you are on our extensive pathway network when you need help."

This program is the first of its kind in Canada and is hoping to make response time to 911 calls much quicker.

Location markers have been placed along Centre City, Bow River and the Elbow River pathways, and in Fish Creek Park.

While using the pathway systems, users are asked to take note of the unique location codes placed on the markers.

The code is a combination of two letters and four numbers and are located about one kilometre apart.

"We wanted to make sure that parks and pathways users were aware of this tool while they are out enjoying the pathways," said Vaughan.

Public Safety Communications will monitor this program and the results will be reported to the Community Protective Services committee in the spring of 2013.

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Emergency stats

- Public Safety Communications is the City of Calgary's 911 centre.
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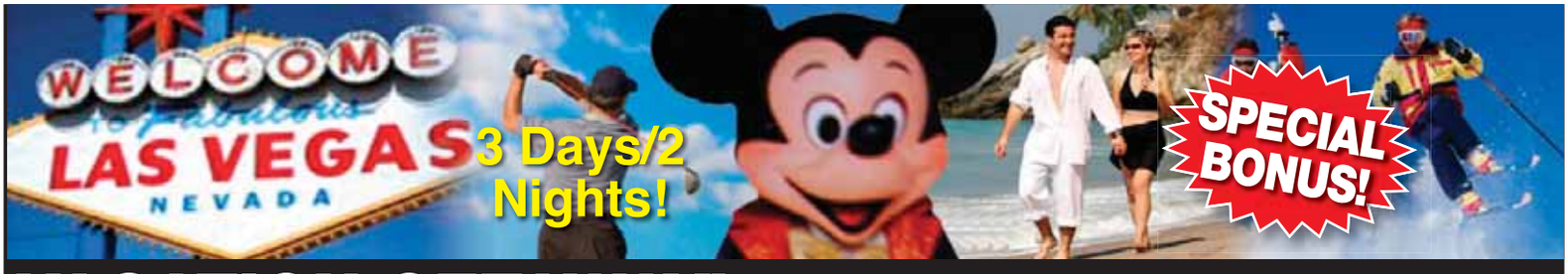

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Vegreville

Alberta man shot dead by RCMP

Alberta's Serious Incident Response Team is investigating after a 43-year-old man was shot and killed by RCMP northeast of Vegreville Wednesday. RCMP got a call about a man with a gun causing a disturbance at a home in the area. METRO

City fair

Capital Ex kicks off in Edmonton

Edmonton launched its 88th annual city fair with a parade Thursday. It will be the last year of the Capital Ex, formerly called Klondike Day, as Edmontonians will have a hand in selecting a new name for the event. METRO

Public health

Province warns of whooping cough

The death of a baby girl from whooping cough has Alberta health officials reminding people they should be immunized. One-month-old Harper Whitehead died in hospital last month from complications caused by pertussis. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Facebook flap

Premier displeased with deputy's landslide joke

Alberta Premier Alison Redford says she's very disappointed in the deputy premier who cracked a joke about a landslide in British Columbia that stranded hundreds of campers.

Deputy premier Thomas Lukaszuk posted a photo on his Facebook page earlier this week with a caption reading: "Fairmont in Hot Springs has a good deal on rooms today. If a little bit of mud doesn't bother you, book now!"

He later apologized via Twitter.

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Deputy premier Thomas Lukaszuk
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Fiestaval event set to spice up Olympic Plaza

Salsa! Free two-day celebration showcases the diverse sights, sounds and tastes of Latin culture

ALICIA GERRIOR
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The weather won't be the only thing heating things up in Calgary this weekend.

Fiestaval, a free two-day festival at Olympic Plaza that celebrates Latin culture will feature delicious eats, pulsating rhythms and dancing for everyone who stops by on July 21 and 22.

Christian Greiffenstein, the event's organizer, said he wants to share Latin culture with as many people as possible.

Last year's festival brought out 45,000 people, according to Greiffenstein, and he's expecting even more this year.

And the food will be "second to none," he insists.

"You can find the best tacos from the north of Mexico to the best bananas from south of Chile and everything in between," Greiffenstein said.

The festival is meaningful to Greiffenstein because it gives him the opportunity to dispel some of the negative stereotypes tied to his culture.

"A lot of the media is always hammering the bad news about Colombia. Everybody is talking about the drugs, the cartel and the killings," Greiffenstein said.

The Colombia native said it saddens him that a beautiful region with millions of hardworking people has received a bad reputation due to the actions of only a few people.

"With this festival, we're showcasing the culture in a different light," Greiffenstein pointed out.

Festival highlights

- 40 international bands will perform at the festival over the weekend.
- This weekend's celebrations mark the spicy festival's 6th year in Calgary.
- Festival-goers can look forward to free dance lessons at the event.

Calgarians are invited to come out and dance the day away at this weekend's Fiestaval at Olympic Plaza. CONTRIBUTED

Papergirl

Creative art project really delivers

A unique art project is set to help brighten the day of unsuspecting strangers come August.

Papergirl, a worldwide creative phenomenon, brings communities together through art.

In the style of old-fashioned newspaper-delivery boys, volunteers on bicycles will hand out art donated by locals to random Calgarians.

"A big part of it is the notion of an act of kindness," said Sunshine Frere, the woman behind Papergirl Calgary.

"More than that, it's about sharing art and sharing ideas," she said.

For Frere, the best part of the project is watching the reactions when people receive the art.

"People think we're asking them for something," she said. "What's quite fun is to watch the transition of the reaction when they wind up receiving a gift. It really changes their outlook on the day and everybody usually walks away with a smile."

Papergirl welcomes all Calgarians to submit art for the project until July 30. The submissions will be displayed in an exhibit from Aug. 8-17 at the Epcor Centre. For more information, visit papergirlcalgary.tumblr.com.

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Security footage shows suspected Bulgaria bomber

Suicide bombing. Israeli Prime Minister Netanyahu points finger at Iran, threatens retaliation

An Israeli survivor of a bombing that killed seven people in Bulgaria.
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A lanky, long-haired man wearing a baseball cap and plaid shorts with a fake Michigan driver's licence carried out a deadly suicide attack on a bus full of Israeli vacationers, Bulgarian officials said Thursday.

Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu blamed the attack on Iranian-backed Hezbollah, a Lebanese Shiite Muslim guerrilla group, and threatened retaliation. Seven people — five Israelis, the Bulgarian driver and the bomber — died in the blast Wednesday.

Although no group claimed responsibility, Israel has attributed a series of attacks on its citizens around the world in recent months to Iran and its Shiite proxies, threatening to escalate a shadow war between the two arch-enemies.

The attack occurred shortly after the Israelis boarded a bus outside the airport in the town of Burgas, a popular destination for Israeli tourists — particularly for high school graduates before they are drafted into military service.

Security camera footage aired Thursday showed the suspected bomber wandering in and out of the terminal shortly before the blast.

Officials said the bomb detonated in the luggage compartment of the bus as the attacker mingled among his victims. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Business as usual

Israeli travellers undeterred

This week's suicide bombing in Bulgaria has made it clear that being an Israeli traveller can be risky business. But Israel's famously globe-trotting people show no signs of curbing their wanderlust, even if the globe seems to offer a shrinking number of safe destinations for them.

Long accustomed to dealing with terrorism, Israelis have always been quick to return to their routines following tragedies. The Bulgaria bombing appeared to be no exception. At Israel's Ben-Gurion International Airport on Thursday, travellers were jittery, but it was largely business as usual.
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Stocking up for the Muslim holy fasting month

Yemenis shop for food in preparation for the Muslim holy month of Ramadan at a market in the old city of Sanaa, Yemen, Thursday. Muslims throughout the world are preparing to mark Ramadan, a period devoted to dawn-to-dusk fasting, prayers and spiritual introspection.
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Court win. Mosque repairs don't prevent celebration

Tennessee Muslims who won a court battle to occupy their new mosque learned Thursday they won't be able to begin worshipping there for the start of Ramadan because it needs about two weeks more of construction work.

Still, members of the Islamic Center of Murfreesboro were celebrating their legal victory after being buffeted for two years by a lawsuit in which they had no say.

"I think it was a very good day yesterday, and thank God," mosque board chairman Essam Fathy said.

"It surprised all of us. It was an unexpected joy."

Construction supervisor David Salimi said it would take about two more weeks of work to be ready. That includes connecting the water and power.

Mosque opponents sued Rutherford County in September 2010 to stop construction of the new building. Their suit included claims that Islam is not a real religion and that local Muslims wanted to overthrow the U.S. Constitution and replace it with Islamic religious law. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Assad. Syrian president makes rare TV appearance

Syrian President Bashar Assad made his first appearance since a brazen bomb attack killed three members of his inner circle while government troops launched a wide-ranging assault on Thursday to snuff out rebels throughout the capital city, Damascus.

Anti-regime activists said government troops used mortars, tanks and helicopter gunships against rebels throughout Damascus and its suburbs. But the military's failure to swiftly vanquish lightly-armed rebel forces and the deadly bombing of a high-level security meeting a day earlier made Assad's hold on power look increasingly tenuous.

Amateur video showed rebels taking over the Bab al-Hawa border crossing with Turkey, where they stomped on portraits of Assad and his father and predecessor, Hafez Assad. A state TV report showed Assad swearing in his new defence minister.

It appeared aimed at sending the message that Assad is alive and well.
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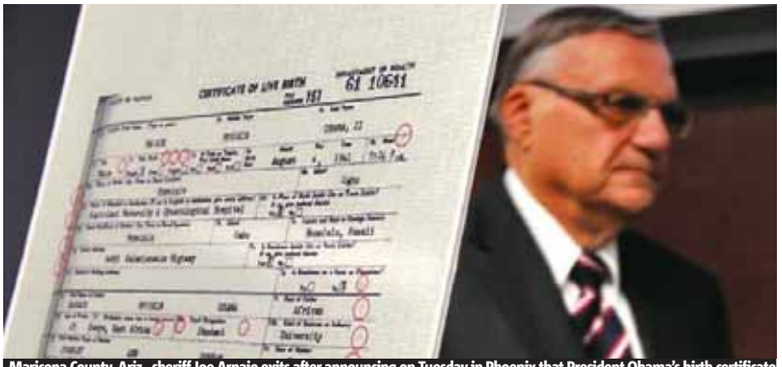

Maricopa County, Ariz., sheriff Joe Arpaio exits after announcing on Tuesday in Phoenix that President Obama’s birth certificate is a forgery based on an investigation by the sheriff’s office. This was two days before Arpaio would attend his first day of trial over a lawsuit alleging his deputies racially profile Latinos during so-called ‘immigration patrols.’ MATT YORK/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS.

Arizona. Plaintiffs say officers based some traffic stops on the race of Hispanics

For six years, the self-proclaimed toughest sheriff in America has vehemently denied allegations that his deputies racially profile Latinos in his trademark immigration patrols.

Now Joe Arpaio, the sheriff in Arizona’s most populous county, Maricopa, will have to convince a federal judge presiding over a lawsuit that went to trial Thursday and is expected to last until early August.

The plaintiffs say Arpaio’s officers based some traffic stops on the race of Hispanics who were in vehicles, had no probable cause to pull them over and made the stops so they could inquire about their immigration status.

“It’s our view that the problem starts at the top,” plaintiffs’ attorney Stan Young said.

The lawsuit will serve as a bellwether for a similar yet broader civil-rights suit filed against Arpaio in May by the U.S. Department of Justice.

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“Race and ethnicity had nothing to do with the traffic stops.”

Tim Casey, Joe Arpaio’s defence lawyer

Arpaio has said the lawsuit is a politically motivated attack by the Obama administration as a way to court Latino voters in a presidential election year. Justice officials say the department began its initial civil-rights inquiry of Arpaio’s office during the Bush administration and notified the sheriff of its formal investigation a few months after Obama took office.

The plaintiffs, which include the American Civil Liberties Union of Arizona, aren’t seeking money damages and instead are seeking a declaration that Arpaio’s office racially profiles and an order that requires it to make changes to prevent what they said is discriminatory policing.

If Arpaio loses the civil case, he won’t face jail time or fines.

Tim Casey, who is defending Arpaio, said the patrols were properly planned out and executed. He said “race and ethnicity had nothing to do with the traffic stops.”

The civil rights lawsuit makes many of the same racial profiling allegations as the other lawsuit, but goes further to say that Arpaio’s office retaliated against its critics, punished Latino jail inmates with limited English skills for speaking Spanish and failed to adequately investigate a large number of sex-crimes cases. No trial date in that case has been set.

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Abuse scandal. Priest awaits sentencing for ‘covering up’ exploits

The first U.S. church official convicted of endangering children in a priest abuse scandal asked Thursday for a sentence of house arrest or probation, calling a long prison term “cruel and unusual.”

Monsignor William Lynn, 61, of Philadelphia awaits sentencing Tuesday.

Lynn, the former secretary for clergy at the city’s Roman Catholic archdiocese, handled priest assignments and child-sexual-assault complaints from 1992 to 2004.

He faces up to seven years in prison after a jury convicted him last month of felony child endangerment for his oversight of now-defrocked priest Edward Avery.

Avery is serving up to five years in prison after pleading guilty to child sexual assault and conspiracy.

Prosecutors spent a decade investigating hundreds of sex-abuse complaints kept in secret files at the archdiocese and issued two damning grand-jury reports. They argue that Lynn and unindicted co-conspirators in the church hierarchy kept children in danger by covering up reports that priests were molesting children.

Lynn reviewed the secret files in 1994 and sent a list of 35 problem priests to Cardinal Anthony Bevilacqua. The cardinal had the list shredded, according to a memo the church turned over after Bevilacqua died in January.

Defence lawyers argued in a sentencing memo filed Thursday that Lynn should not serve more time than abusers themselves.

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“Monsignor Lynn has never harboured any intent to harm a child.”

Lawyers Thomas Bergstrom and Jeffrey Lindy

“Monsignor Lynn has never harboured any intent to harm a child,” lawyers Thomas Bergstrom and Jeffrey Lindy wrote. They called a seven-year term cruel and unusual.

Lynn has spent a month in prison since the verdict. He now seeks a term of time served combined with house arrest, community service, work release or probation.

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War crimes

Liberia ex-president appeals convictions

Former Liberian President Charles Taylor has appealed his war-crimes and crimes-against-humanity convictions and his 50-year sentence, calling them a miscarriage of justice. Prosecutors on Thursday also appealed the Special Court for Sierra Leone’s decision to acquit Taylor on more serious charges and urged judges to increase his sentence to 80 years. Taylor, 64, became the first former head of state since World War II to be convicted by an international war-crimes court.

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Florida

Zimmerman interview decried

The parents of the unarmed black U.S. teen who was shot and killed by a neighbourhood-watch volunteer rejected the shooter’s claim that the death was a part of God’s plan. In an interview with Fox News, George Zimmerman said he felt the course of the night 17-year-old Trayvon Martin was killed “was all God’s plan.”

“We must worship a different God,” Martin’s father, Tracy Martin, told The Associated Press. “There is no way that my God wanted George Zimmerman to murder my teenage son.”

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Lawful practice?

Mexican seeks U.S. law licence

California’s attorney general is supporting a 35-year-old Mexican immigrant who wants to be licensed as a lawyer, but has been living in the state without legal permission.

Durham resident Sergio Garcia passed the bar exam and has the support of the State Bar of California to become a lawyer. The California Supreme Court wants to hear arguments before deciding whether to admit him.

Garcia was brought to the U.S. unlawfully by his parents as a child.

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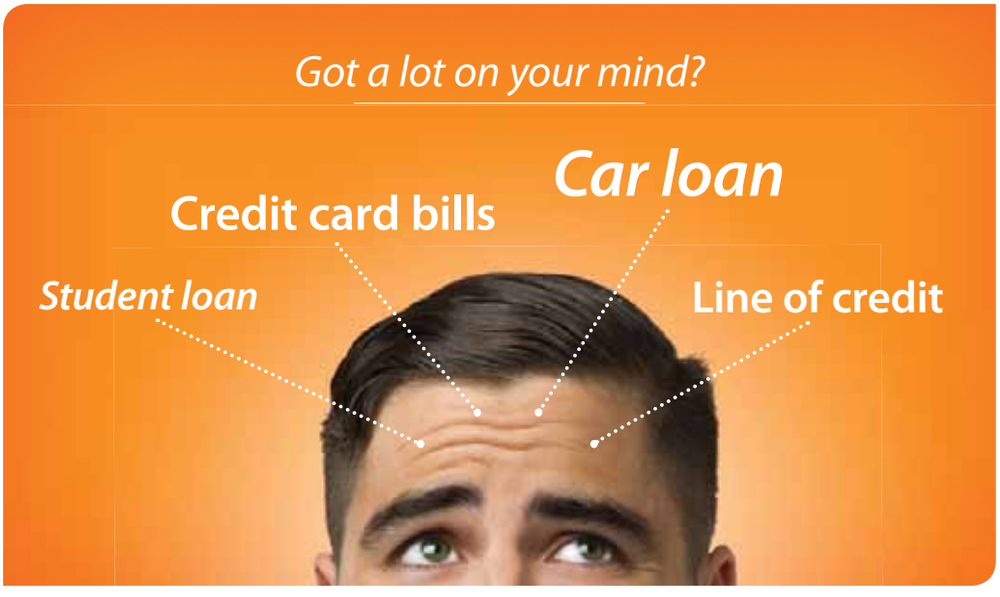

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Riding out the rise of the river

Flood-affected villagers travel on a boat at Panikhaitee village on the outskirts of Gauhati, India, on Thursday. Due to continuous rain for the last few days, the water level in the Brahmaputra River and its tributaries has started to rise and the flooding has inundated many areas of Assam.

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Wildfires still burning across Greece

Over 80 blazes reported. New coalition government suggested that steep budget cuts had hurt fire-fighting efforts

Greek authorities evacuated a children's summer camp, a retirement home and a monastery near Athens on Thursday as a wildfire swept through forest land, damaging at least five homes. The blaze was one of several dozen reported in the country over the past two days.

Greece's fire brigade said two people were lightly injured in the wildfire near the town of Keratea, some 40 kilometres southeast of the capital. One man suffered burns, while a motorcyclist was hit by a burning electricity pole.

Officials said 300 children were evacuated as a precaution from the camp, and an unspecified number of people from the retirement home and the monastery.

More than 170 fire fighters, assisted by seven water-dropping planes and two helicopters, managed to bring the blaze under partial control by late Thursday.

The cause of the fire was not immediately clear, but such blazes are common in the hot, dry summer months. More than 60 people were killed when forest fires devastated southern Greece in 2007.

Another two fires were burning through the islands of Zakynthos in the west of Greece and Crete in the south, but inhabited areas were not under threat, the fire brigade said.

Nearly 80 wildfires were reported over the past two days across the country, and least six villages were evacuated Wednesday in southern Greece and Crete.

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A scorched mountain is seen at Drepano village near the western Greek port city of Patras on Thursday. THANASSIS STAVRAKIS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Lake Huron. Barge sinks, spilling diesel off coast

Diesel fuel from a barge that sank in stormy Lake Huron has reached the Michigan shoreline, the U.S. Coast Guard said Thursday evening.

A 110-foot dredging barge sank early Thursday, and the tug pushing it overturned, spilling an unknown amount of diesel fuel.

No injuries were reported.

It wasn't immediately clear what caused the Arthur J. to sink around 4:35 a.m., the U.S. Coast Guard said.

The dredge could carry up to 8,000 gallons of fuel, but the owner said it only had about 1,500 gallons when it sank, along with "a minor amount" of lubricating oil associated with dredge equipment, the Coast Guard said. The tugboat had about 300 gallons of diesel.

Part of the Arthur J. can still be seen above Lake Huron after it sunk on Thursday. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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B.C. landslide. Search for remaining victims ends

After seven gruelling days searching for four people buried under the debris of a landslide in southeastern B.C., the specialized search-and-rescue team returned to Vancouver on Thursday, disappointed they were forced to leave without uncovering two of the victims.

The search for the remaining two victims was called off Wednesday night, when it became apparent the chances of finding them in dangerous conditions were becoming increasingly slim.

A family of three and a German traveller were buried by last Thursday's slide at Johnsons Landing, more than 200 kilometres southwest of Calgary, but in the days that followed searchers were only able to recover two bodies.

Sixty-year-old Valentine Webber's body was uncovered Sunday, and the remains of one of his daughters were found the next day. The B.C. Coroners Service has yet to confirm whether that second body was that of Rachel Webber, 17, or her sister, Diana, 22.

One of the sisters and German Petra Frehse, 64, are still buried somewhere under the slide.

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Child abductor gets emotional in B.C. court

Randall Hopley is led out of the Cranbrook, B.C., courthouse last fall. He has admitted to abducting a three-year-old boy. BILL GRAVELAND/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Admitted child abductor Randall Hopley was fighting his emotions Thursday as he was forced to watch a videotaped meeting between himself and the father of his three-year-old victim.

Sitting with his head bowed down in a courtroom in Cranbrook, B.C., Hopley struggled to hold back the tears as the video showed Paul Hebert telling Hopley that he forgave him for abducting his son, Kienan, and thanked him for the boy's safe return.

"There was no sexual assault at all," Hopley said in the video interview, played on the second day of his sentencing hearing.

Hebert asked Hopley if he was heterosexual or whether he only liked children.

"Oh yes. I prefer women," replied Hopley.

"Children, but not in a sexual way. It was nothing to do with sex."

In the interview, Hopley is reminded about a previous incident involving an assault on a young boy, but Hopley said he would never have done anything to someone as young as Kienan.

"That was in the past. I don't want to go back there," Hopley said softly.

Hopley was convicted in 1985 of sexually assaulting a five-year-old boy

"If I hurt a three-year-old, I would just take myself out in the bush and shoot myself," he continued.

"I believe you," replied Hebert. "You took my son from me and I forgive you. Change yourself. Be a better person."

Hopley, who turns 47 next week, has already pleaded guilty to abducting Kienan Hebert from the boy's home in Sparwood, a southeastern B.C. town near the Alberta boundary, last September.

Kienan vanished from his bedroom in the middle of the night wearing Scooby Doo boxer shorts, prompting police to launch a massive search.

The operation grew over several days, with police issuing an Amber Alert that was eventually expanded to include Alberta. The boy was returned unharmed four days later and Hopley was arrested at a nearby Bible camp.

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The road ahead

An actual sentence isn't expected to be handed down soon. The Crown wants to proceed with a harsher approach, asking that Hopley be subjected to an assessment to determine whether he should be labelled a dangerous or long-term offender.

- Hopley's previous convictions include sexual assault and abduction.

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Harper's senior aide named Air Canada liaison

Derek Vanstone.
NDP ethics critic calls appointment 'unacceptable'

A senior aide to the prime minister is taking a government affairs job with Air Canada, raising pointed questions about the strength of ethical rules that are supposed to guide the post-political actions of Parliament Hill staffers.

Derek Vanstone, currently Stephen Harper's deputy chief of staff, will become Air Canada's vice-president of corporate strategy and government affairs in September, the Montreal-based airline announced Thursday.

The hire was vetted by Conflict of Interest and Ethics Commissioner Mary Dawson; both Air Canada and the prime minister's office said they were well aware of the ethical obligations facing Vanstone as he moves into the new role.

"Air Canada understands that there are a number of post-employment restrictions for Derek with respect to federal government relations," said airline spokeswoman Angela Mah.

The hurdles Vanstone needed to clear to get the job include a five-year ban on becoming a registered lobbyist and a mandatory cooling-off period that prohibits involvement with any company with which he's had significant government dealings.

NDP ethics critic Charlie Angus called the appointment unacceptable. "What we are seeing here is again the old boys' club, the revolving door," he said.

"It's a nudge-nudge, wink-wink system that you have a senior adviser to the prime minister who will just happen to be now coming back as the man opening the doors for Air Canada. This is what Mr. Harper said he would clean up — and he hasn't."

A House of Commons committee recently recommended 11 changes to the Lobbying Act to make it stronger.

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Legislation

- The Conservative government was first elected in 2006 on a promise to build a stronger wall between ex-political staff and Parliament Hill.
- A slew of legislation followed, governing the activities of those seeking private sector jobs that could connect them with the government.

AFN must be part of energy strategy: Atleo

Shawn Atleo, the newly re-elected national chief of the Assembly of First Nations, shakes hands with attendees at the end of the Annual General Assembly in Toronto on Thursday. Atleo was voted in for a second three-year term on Wednesday, and has warned the premiers and the federal government that they should not forge ahead on a national energy policy without First Nations as a full and equal partner. MICHELLE SIU/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Gun violence

Arrest made in Toronto shootout

Police say 19-year-old Nahom Tsegazab has been charged with reckless discharge of a firearm in a shooting at a city block party. Tsegazab was reportedly injured in the shootout that killed two and injured 24 others. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Police crackdown

G20 activist gets 11 months in jail

A woman who played an active part in the vandalism that rocked Toronto during the G20 summit two years ago has been given 11 months in jail. Kelly Pflug-Back had pleaded guilty to seven counts of mischief.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

Potential threat?

Feds still refuse to transfer Khadr

The government's foot-dragging on the return of Omar Khadr from Guantanamo Bay is unprecedented in light of the commitment it gave the U.S. it would accept his transfer to Canada, says former diplomat Gar Pardy. THE CANADIAN PRESS

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Air India bombing. Perjury sentence upheld for accused bomber

British Columbia's highest court upheld a perjury conviction Thursday for Air India bomber Inderjit Singh Reyat, who repeatedly lied at the trial of two men who were acquitted in the worst case of aviation terrorism before 9-11.

Three judges of the B.C. Court of Appeal unanimously dismissed the man's bid for a new trial, cementing Reyat's nine-year sentence. It's believed to be the longest perjury sentence in Canadian history.

Perviz Madon, whose husband Sam was among the 329 people killed when an Air India plane was bombed on June 23, 1985, said she's glad Reyat is "paying" for lying under oath.

"That's justice for us," she said, shortly after learning of the decision.

"Whatever justice we get, we'll take it."

Reyat, 59, was a Crown witness at the 2003 trial of Ripudaman Singh Malik and Ajaib Singh Bagri, who were acquitted of mass murder and conspiracy in the bombing of Air India Flight 182. Some 329 people, mostly Canadian citizens, were killed when the plane went down after leaving a Montreal airport.

Quoted

"I just hope he serves his time and we can get on with our lives."

Perviz Madon on Singh Reyat's sentencing.
Her husband was among the 329 people killed on the Air India flight.

Reyat's testimony was part of a deal that saw him plead guilty to manslaughter in the bombing of the plane and receive a controversial five-year sentence. He also served an earlier 10-year sentence for manslaughter for the deaths of two airport baggage handlers in Tokyo that happened on the same day.

Reyat was accused of lying 19 times at Malik's and Bagri's trial, when he insisted he knew nothing about the conspiracy.

A jury convicted Reyat of perjury in November 2010, but his lawyers appealed. They argued the judge made a mistake when he told the jurors they only needed to conclude Reyat lied in just one of those 19 instances, and that they didn't need to agree on which lie he told. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Tanzania. Stormy weather stalls capsized ferry rescue mission

Stormy conditions hampered rescue efforts for a capsized ferry off Tanzania's coast, as officials said the death toll had risen to at least 31, on Thursday.

The government said that more than 100 passengers were still missing one day after the MV Skagit capsized.

The Red Cross said at least 146 people were rescued after the accident. The MV Skagit left Dar es Salaam, the commercial capital of Tanzania, on Wednesday en route to the island of Zanzibar.

One accident survivor, Rashid Mohamed, said that heavy winds caused the boat to lose control and flip over just a few kilometres (miles) short of Zanzibar's main port.

"Heavy winds blew from every side," Mohamed, 24, said. "The boat swayed many times before flipping over."

Passengers said the ferry was overloaded. The Red Cross said the ferry was certified to carry 250 people but may have been carrying more than 280.

Stormy weather interfered with the search for passengers. Family members thronged the port for news on missing loved ones.
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A survivor of the Zanzibar ferry accident is pulled from the sea into a boat by a rescue team on Thursday. ALI SULTAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Nuclear co-operation

Canada secures trading deal with China

An agreement signed Thursday in Beijing will help Canadian companies export more uranium to China, said Foreign Affairs Minister John Baird.

The "supplementary protocol," signed by Baird and Liu Tienan, head of China's National Energy Administration, will expand a nuclear co-operation agreement that's been in place since 1994. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Quebec

More charges for syringe culprit

A Quebec man arrested in connection with dirty syringes found in clothing at a shopping mall is facing more charges.

Claude Letourneau will remain detained after being charged Thursday with new charges of assault with a weapon, aggravated assault, theft and possession of a prohibited weapon.
THE CANADIAN PRESS

AIDS research

Renewed hunt for a cure is back on

For years it seemed hopeless. Now the hunt for a cure for AIDS is back on.

International AIDS specialists on Thursday released what they call a road map for research toward a cure for HIV — a strategy for global teams of scientists to explore a number of intriguing leads that just might, years from now, pan out.
THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

British Columbia

Legal fight ensues over private care

Several B.C. health clinics are continuing a legal fight to guarantee access to private care, in the face of a ruling this week that ordered two facilities to stop illegally billing patients. An audit by the B.C. Medical Services Commission this week found Cambie Surgeries Corp. and the Specialist Referral Clinic, both owned by the same company, illegally billed patients for services funded under the provincial health plan.
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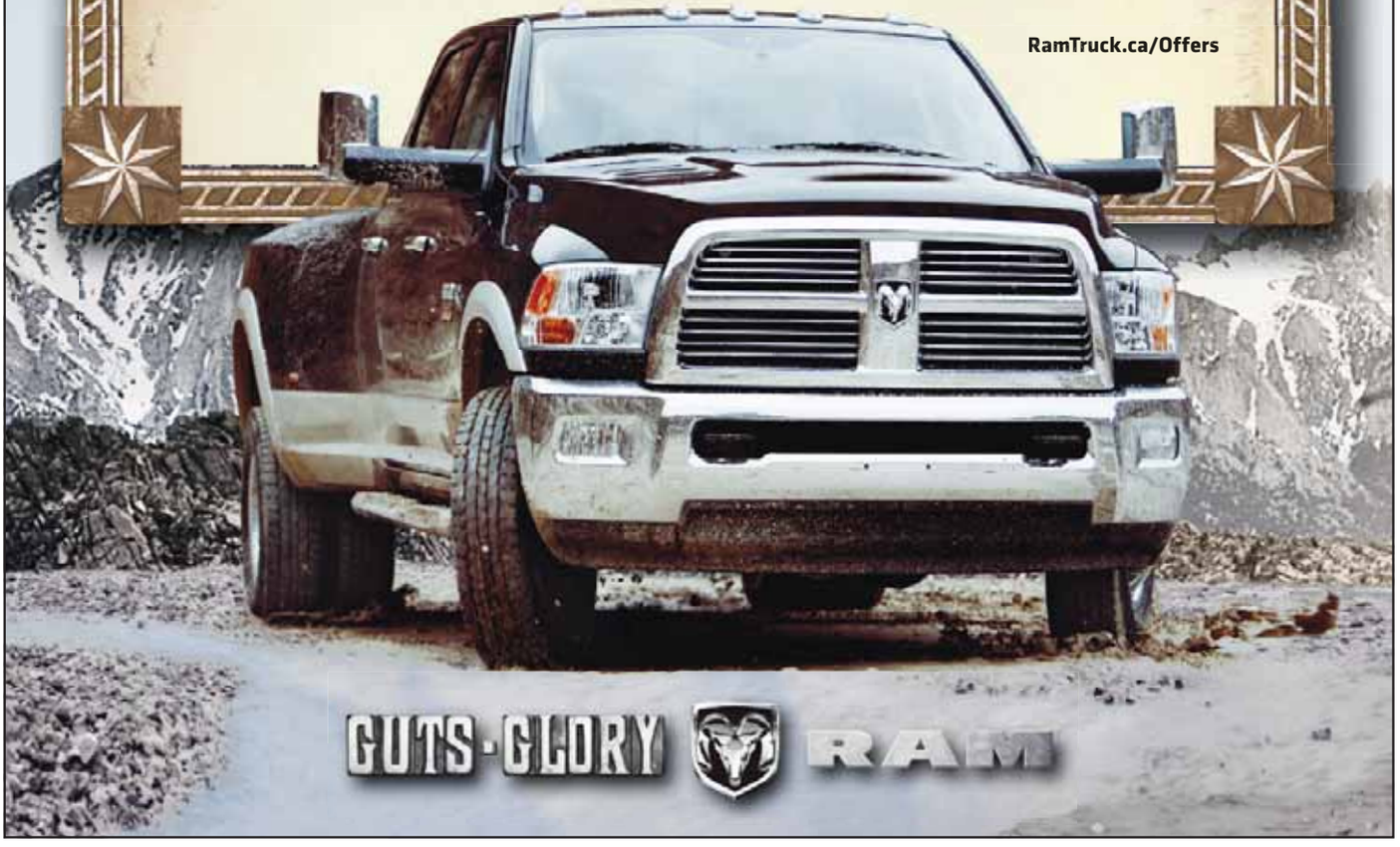

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U.S. court urges Disneyland to allow Segways

Court sides with disabled patron.
Disneyland sued after refusing to allow disabled visitor to use her Segway at theme park

Disneyland currently allows disabled visitors to use wheelchairs and scooters at the Anaheim theme park, but the justices of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco said it's time for "The Happiest Place on Earth" to study the idea of adding Segways.

"We have every confidence that the organization that, half a century ago, brought us the Carousel of Progress and Great Moments with Mr. Lincoln can lead the way in using new technology to make its parks more welcoming to disabled guests," Chief Judge Alex Kozinski wrote for the court.

Segway and General Motors are working to develop the vehicle for cities. JIN LEE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The ruling comes in the case of Tina Baughman, who uses a two-wheeled Segway to get around because she has limb girdle muscular dystrophy, which makes it difficult to walk or rise from a seated position.

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Baughman went to Disneyland to celebrate her daughter's eighth birthday.

She explained her disability but said Disneyland refused to allow her to use the Segway at the theme park.

Baughman filed the lawsuit against Walt Disney World Co. under the Americans With Disabilities Act.

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Funeral for Bollywood star Rajesh Khanna

Bollywood star Amitabh Bachchan, bottom centre, wearing glasses, and his son, actor Abhishek Bachchan, bottom right, in white, walk through a sea of fans to attend the funeral of Rajesh Khanna, Bollywood's first superstar, in Mumbai on Thursday. Khanna, a romantic lead, died Wednesday at 69.

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Freedom at last

Turtles head for ponds and creeks

Over 1,500 turtles have made a slow-speed escape from their farm in the U.S.. Turtle farmer David Driver says he suspects vandals are to blame for tearing down fences around his enclosure.

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China

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China's population of Internet users — already the world's biggest — has risen to 538 million, an industry group said. That is an 11 per cent increase.

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Germany

End uncertainty on circumcision: Lawmakers urged

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Myanmar TV airs tribute to independence hero

Sign of change. Suu Kyi memorial ceremony broadcast for first time in years

Myanmar opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi, centre, greets diplomats during a ceremony to mark the Martyr's Day at the headquarters of her National League for Democracy party Thursday in Yangon, Myanmar. KHIN MAUNG WIN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Myanmar state television broadcast a memorial ceremony for opposition leader Aung San Suu Kyi's revered independence hero father for the first time in decades Thursday, the latest sign of change in the former pariah nation.

The day marks the 65th anniversary of the 1947 assassination of opposition leader Suu Kyi's father, Gen. Aung San.

Myanmar's former military junta played down the event for more than 20 years as part of efforts to stem the popularity of Suu Kyi, who has led a pro-democracy movement since 1988 and was kept under house arrest for 15 years. The junta ceded power last year to a civilian government dominated by retired army officers, which has since embarked on a program of major political and financial reforms that have been lauded by the international community.

On Thursday, Martyr's Day ceremonies were broadcast live on state television, and the government dispatched one of the nation's two vice-presidents to attend. Last year, the government's top representative was the mayor of the largest city, Yangon.

With flags flying at half-staff, Vice-President Sai Mauk Kham joined Suu Kyi as she laid three baskets of flowers in front of her father's tomb in Yangon, near the foot of towering golden Shwedagon pagoda. Sai Mauk Kham laid a wreath of white orchids and saluted the slain leader as a solemn two-minute silence was observed. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Slain leader

Aung San was 32 years old when he was gunned down on July 19, 1947, along with six cabinet ministers and two other officials.

- He is considered the architect of Myanmar's independence from Britain, which it achieved several months after his death.

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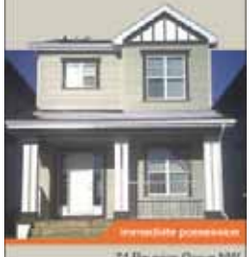

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Residents of Ont. town OK to return home after scare

All clear. A total of 83 explosive devices removed from Ontario home as father and son face murder charges

Investigators released photos Tuesday of some of the devices found in a Barrie, Ont., home and in underground bunkers on the property. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Special teams of police investigators say they have neutralized the danger of a Barrie, Ont., home filled with explosives and nearly 60 people living in the neighbourhood were given the green light to return home a week after an evacuation.

"We told all the residents that they can come home to their own beds tonight," said Barrie police Const. Angela Butler.

The all-clear comes after squads of Ontario Provincial Police, RCMP and forensics experts finished clearing the home Thursday afternoon, removing a total of 83 improvised explosive devices — including pipe bombs and remote-detonation explosives stuffed into the walls — and containers full of unidentified chemicals.

Those evacuated from some 20 homes in the neighbourhood last Thursday can head back any time they like, Butler said. "I got to tell them personally myself. It was a great feeling," Butler said.

The investigation of the property will continue, Butler said, noting officers will remain on hand to watch over the scene. In addition to the explosives, some of which were detonated on site, police scouring the home have also found a cache of 29 firearms.

The search began last Thursday after police arrested a father and son in connection with the slaying of Michael Traynor, whose body was found in a wooded area in 1978.

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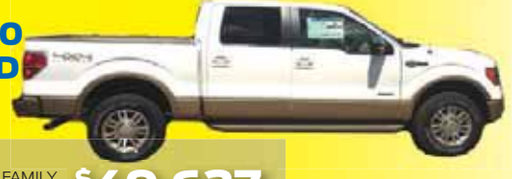

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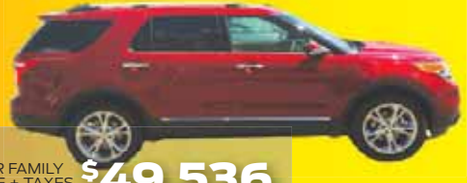

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Presidential candidates battle over key states

November election. Obama targets retired Americans while Romney criticizes president for job losses

President Barack Obama speaks at a fundraising event at the Austin Music Hall in Austin, Texas, Tuesday. LAWRENCE PEART/THE DAILY TEXAN/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

U.S. President Barack Obama told voters in Florida on Thursday that Republican challenger Mitt Romney wants to undo the structures of American society that built a vibrant middle class.

Romney, speaking in a Boston suburb, repeated his charge that Obama was more concerned with his re-election than bringing down the nation's high rate of unemployment.

"The job he's interested in protecting is his own," Romney said. "The job that should be protected is the job of men and women in this country who want to get jobs, who want to go back to work, who want to have rising incomes again."

The men battling to win the November election for the White House are engaging in the kind of intense campaigning normally reserved for the final weeks of the contest.

Obama's decision to spend two days in Florida signals the importance of the state. If the president can win there, as he did in 2008, Romney would have a difficult time blocking the president's return to the White House. The U.S. presidential elections are not won according to the popular vote nationally but in state-by-state contests.

Obama and Romney are in one of the closest presidential contests in recent memory. Incumbent presidents normally have an advantage, but Obama's has been diminished by voter concerns over the sluggish economic recovery and 8.2 per cent unemployment. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"No matter who you are, no matter where you come from, no matter what you look like, America has always been a place where you can make it if you work hard."
U.S. President Barack Obama

Manchester. Bomb plot foiled after police respond to domestic dispute

A planned bomb attack on Jewish sites in the English city of Manchester was foiled when the husband-and-wife team behind the plot became embroiled in a domestic dispute, prosecutors said in a case that led to the wife's conviction Thursday.

Prosecutor Bobbie Cheema told Manchester Crown Court that police were called when 33-year-old Mohammed Sajid Khan and his 38-year-old wife Shasta got into an argument at their home last July. Shasta's family was drawn into the squabble, and at one point the dispute got physical, with Mohammed assaulting his father-in-law.

Officers called to deal with a domestic-violence episode got a little more than they bargained for, Cheema told the jury in opening remarks delivered last month.

She said that one of Shasta's brothers told the officers Mohammed was "a homegrown terrorist." Shasta joined in too, proceeding to "spill the beans" on her husband's terrorist activities.

Officers found beheading videos, al-Qaida propaganda, bomb-making guides and chemicals. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Scotland Yard

3 terrorism suspects charged

Three British Muslims, including a convert who was featured in a documentary about radical Islam and a former London police support officer, have been charged with travelling to Pakistan for terror training, police said Thursday.

Richard Dart, 29, Imran Mahmood, 21, and Jahangir Alom, 26, had travelled to Pakistan between 2010 and 2012.
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Inappropriate?

Obama punching bag removed

A punching bag depicting U.S. President Barack Obama as a boxer with a black eye has been removed from the Republican Party tent at an Indiana fair after some fairgoers complained.

Delaware County party spokesman Tom Bennington said the bag was "meant in fun."
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Survey says

Obama trails Romney: New poll

Romney has squeaked past the president Barack Obama in one new national poll. A New York Times/CBS survey released Thursday had Romney at 47 per cent support, compared with Obama at 46 — the first time the presumptive Republican nominee has been on top in the survey since primary season.
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Demonstrators protest austerity measures announced by the Spanish government in Madrid on Thursday.
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Tax hikes and job cuts enrage Spaniards

Upheaval in Spain.
Tens of thousands of disgruntled citizens protest throughout 80 different cities

Concerns over Spain's attempts to restore market confidence in its economy resurfaced Thursday after a bond auction went poorly and its borrowing costs edged higher — even as the country's parliament passed the latest round of harsh austerity measures designed to cut its bloated deficit.

The ruling conservative Popular Party used its majority in Parliament to push through the measures, which include a rise in sales taxes and a wage cut for civil servants.

As dusk fell, tens of thousands of government workers, trade-union members and disgruntled Spaniards began marches and rallies in 80 cities throughout Spain. Large crowds gathered in Barcelona and Bilbao, while leading Spanish newspaper El Pais estimated on its website that more than 100,000 had attended the rally in Madrid.

The government also published details of the €100-billion ($122.9-billion US) financial-assistance agreement between Spain and the Eurogroup aimed at shoring up the country's struggling banks.

The Economy Ministry statement said the precise bailout amount "will be known once a bank to bank scan is complete," and that the loan mechanism will be available until Dec. 31, 2013.

Quoted

"I am indignant, I'm angry. Why can't they cut elsewhere?"

Civil servant Isabel Urbelz reacting to government measures that have cut her Christmas bonus

It also said the interest rate will be variable.

Marchers in Madrid carried Spanish flags bearing black bows for mourning and banners saying, "No to the cuts" and "You have ruined us."

Isabel Urbelz, a 54-year-old civil servant, said she was angry with the government because it had cut her Christmas bonus.

"I am indignant, I'm angry. Why can't they cut elsewhere?" she said.

The vote in parliament followed an auction of medium-term Spanish bonds, where the government had to pay substantially higher interest rates to unload €2.96 billion ($3.62 billion) in bonds maturing in 2014, 2017 and 2019. Its target range was €2 billion to €3 billion. Demand was roughly two times the amount on offer for each issue. But that was down from earlier auctions.

And the interest rate on the five-year debt rose sharply to 6.46 per cent, from 5.54 per cent at the last such auction on July 5. The Treasury provided no comparable rates for the other maturities.

In the secondary bond market, where issued debt is traded openly, the interest rate, or yield, on benchmark Spanish 10-year bonds — a measure of investor worries about the security of a country's debt — was at 6.95 per cent Thursday, up 0.05 percentage points on the day.

The Spanish government, led by Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy, introduced the latest round of spending cuts and tax increases to shave €65 billion off the government's budgets by 2015. Some specific measures were left to be addressed later, such as speeding up the phasing in of an increase in the retirement age from 65 to 67. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Britain

London's The Sun journalist arrested

British police investigating alleged computer hacking arrested a journalist for The Sun tabloid newspaper in London, officials said Thursday.

The 35-year-old journalist was arrested early Thursday at his home in North London on suspicion of handling stolen goods and is being questioned at a central London police station, Scotland Yard said.

Rupert Murdoch's News International media group confirmed that the suspect is a journalist for The Sun tabloid.

The man is the seventh suspect to be arrested under Operation Tuleta, which is looking into allegations that journalists broke into computer systems to steal information.

It is one of three parallel police investigations triggered by the tabloid phone-hacking scandal that has rocked Britain.
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Torontonian Tanner Zurkoski is over three weeks into his month-long sojourn of being in his vehicle 23/7 to raise awareness about commute times

LIVING IN A CAR

Tanner Zurkoski steps out of his car Thursday for a little stretch after 21 days of living in his car. MELISSA REBER/FOR METRO

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It's been three weeks now. General update?

I am ready to be out of this car now. I went through this weird sense of "I got through it and I'm in a routine," and I was optimistic and enjoying myself — and that's almost completely gone now. The true absurdity of what I've done is dawning on me.

You said last week you were suffering from road rage. How are you dealing with this?

I met with a clinical psychologist. He specializes in rage issues. His stance is that road rage is not in and of itself a problem, but it just exacerbates existing conditions. So if you go into a car upset you are much more likely to be triggered during the ride. So he gave me some tips on calming down and having a very Zen-like approach to driving.

What cool stuff have you been up to?

I raced a (cyclist) from (homebase) to downtown, and he beat me. Not by much, about 30 seconds. We did it at 8:30 in the morning, trying to use realistic traffic conditions, but I was lucky because, for some reason, there was no one on the (highway). This week I am racing someone on a (commuter train). She's going to be on a train and I'll be in traffic — so that might be a little more one-sided.

What are you doing for exercise?

I was going for a run in the mornings, I know I should more often, but it's really hard to motivate yourself. I did car yoga this week. (The instructor) taught me a number of things. You're limited to what you can do in a car — downward dog is kind of out of the question.

Quoted

"I woke up one day with a racoon on the hood of the car looking in on me.... He basically thought I was a T-Rex and that if he moved slowly enough I wouldn't eat him."

Tanner Zurkowski, on run-ins with nature

Survey. !@#$ing at someone on the road? You're most likely from Alberta

While Stephen Harper's declaration that Calgary is the best city in Canada may be a matter of opinion, when it comes to retaliating against bad drivers, we've got the numbers to back it up: Albertans are No. 1.

In a nationwide Angus Reid survey released Thursday of more than 1,000 residents, Alberta drivers said they are more likely to respond to bad driving habits by honking, swearing, waving their fists and making obscene gestures, compared to other provinces. Albertans are also twice as likely as the average Canuck to call the cops on their fellow drivers — 18 per cent versus nine per cent.

When it comes to witnessing dangerous behaviours like talking on the phone, speeding, tailgating and cutting off others behind the wheel, Alberta lags only behind British Columbia.

But when asked about witnessing drivers multi-task on the road — applying makeup, reading and checking personal devices — we came out on top again, a full 11 percentage points above the national average of 65 per cent.

Albertans are also the most likely to report drivers littering (58 per cent) and running red lights (73 per cent), but are the second least likely to say that they've seen other drivers speeding. EMINA GAMULIN/METRO

Albertans report witnessing more multi-tasking drivers than other Canadians. PAT WELLENBACH/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS FILE

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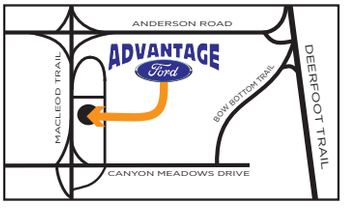

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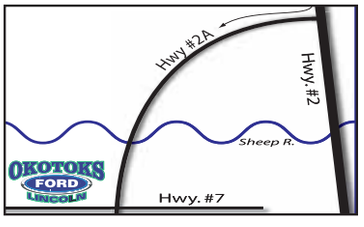

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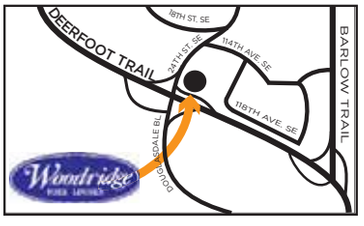

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Fire fears force recall of 2013 Escapes

Ford Motor Co. is telling Canadian and U.S. owners of one version of the brand-new Ford Escape not to drive the SUVs until dealers can fix fuel lines that can crack and spill gasoline, causing engine fires.

The company issued the unusual warning on Thursday and said it is recalling 2013 Escapes equipped with 1.6-litre four-cylinder engines.

Ford says it has three reports of fires: Two at the factory and one while a customer was driving an Escape. No one has been injured.

The recall affects 11,500 Escapes in the U.S. and Canada. Only 4,800 have been sold to customers.

This is the second recall of the redesigned Escape, which went on sale in June.

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Indian Suzuki factory shut down after deadly riot

Security guards stand near a burnt-down reception block of Maruti Suzuki's factory in Manesar, near New Delhi, on Thursday. India's largest passenger carmaker shut the 550,000-vehicle-a-year plant — one of two factories in India — after rioting sparked by a labour dispute killed one person and injured dozens of others. The company is still trying to identify the body found charred beyond recognition in a conference room. Labour unrest is a growing concern in India, as soaring inflation squeezes worker salaries even as mass media and conspicuous consumption stoke aspirations. The widespread use of contract workers by companies eager to sidestep India's strict labour laws adds to friction. SAURABH DAS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Rising bank fees are turning Canadians off

Survey. Percentage of customers satisfied by the performance of their bank drops steeply from last year

Canadian bank customers surveyed in an annual poll are less satisfied with their financial institutions than they were a year ago, at least partly due to the rising fees they're being charged.

The survey from J.D. Power and Associates, released Thursday, found that the percentage of customers who say they will "definitely" reuse their bank in the future declined by four percentage points since a year ago.

And the number of respondents who said they would "definitely" recommend their bank dropped five percentage points from last year. At least part of the rising discontent was tied to a greater number of customers who have been slapped with higher fees, with 27 per cent of respondents saying their charges went up this year, compared with 17 per cent in 2011. Many of the respondents also said they had a lower overall opinion of the reliability and financial stability of their banks. Satisfaction with online banking slid eight percentage points over last year, mostly due to problems navigating websites, and a lack of some services.

On the upside, customers said they were largely happy with financial advisers at the banks, though this is the first time the survey asked respondents about them.

The highest ranked of the big five Canadian banks was TD Bank, which has consistently led the results since the survey was launched seven years ago. ING Direct Canada ranked the highest of the midsize banks.

The annual J.D. Power survey polled 12,000 Canadians who use either banks or credit unions. Included were the big five Canadian banks — Royal Bank, Scotiabank, CIBC, Bank of Montreal and TD Bank — as well as midsize banks.

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Study. Debt growth slowing

Consumer-debt growth was about 30 per cent lower in the second quarter than a year earlier — the biggest slowdown since before the recession, according to a consumer-credit study released Thursday.

Equifax Canada's quarterly consumer-credit trends report found that consumer indebtedness, excluding mortgage debt, grew 3.1 per cent year-over-year in the second quarter, down from 4.4 per cent in the same period of 2011.

The study also found that high-interest credit-card debt fell by 3.8 per cent in the quarter and consumer bankruptcies were down 4.5 per cent from a year earlier.

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RAISING ONE FOR THE TEAM

THE LIST
Neil Morton
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1 **Flag raiser.** Our Canadian athletes take to the world stage starting next week at the Summer Olympics in London. Veteran triathlete and two-time Olympic medallist Simon Whitfield from Victoria, B.C., will be the Canadian flag bearer for the opening ceremony. You can follow the team on Twitter @CDNOlympicTeam. Go Canada go!

2 **Carrie Underwood surprise.** Restaurant-goers (myself included) at a pub in Peterborough, Ont., got quite the shock Saturday night when country-music star Carrie Underwood walked in with her hubby, NHL player Mike Fisher. Fisher's brother had tied the knot earlier that day, and a big group from the wedding reception — including the famous couple — showed up there to party. And, no, she didn't sing for us.

3 **The Dark Knight Rises.** Holy hype, Batman! RottenTomatoes.com for the first time in its history was forced to block users from making comments on a film this week after critics received threatening comments for writing negative reviews about the movie. "It just got to be too much hate based on reactions to reviews of movies that people hadn't even seen," said the site's editor. The film opens Friday.

4 **Microsoft marketplace.** Microsoft is opening a new retail location at the Yorkdale mall in Toronto in the fall, the site of its first international retail expansion. Apparently the city has the right demographics for the company — a solid mix of families and tech enthusiasts. They do have some stiff competition in the mall, however: an Apple store.

5 **The Bachelorette finale.** The season finale airs this Sunday, and fans are speculating about whether Emily will choose Arie or Jef. Or whether she'll choose neither. Or whether she'll choose both? Hey, she can't do that! Speculation is it's Jef. In any case, several of Emily's castoffs will rebound on The Bachelor Pad, which premieres Monday.

6 **Vancouver's congestion.** Vancouver is Canada's most traffic-congested city — second only to Los Angeles in North America, according to a congestion index. Vancouver drivers take on average 30 per cent longer to make a trip at congested times than when roads and highways are free-flowing. Toronto was ninth at 22 per cent. Now I feel so much better commuting on the 401.

7 **Springsteen and McCartney.** Concert organizers pulled the plug on the music legends after they played past their sound curfew at London's Hyde Park. They were on stage together and about to complete the show when their microphones went silent. If I'm singing, you pull the plug right away. If it's The Boss with a Beatle, you never pull it.

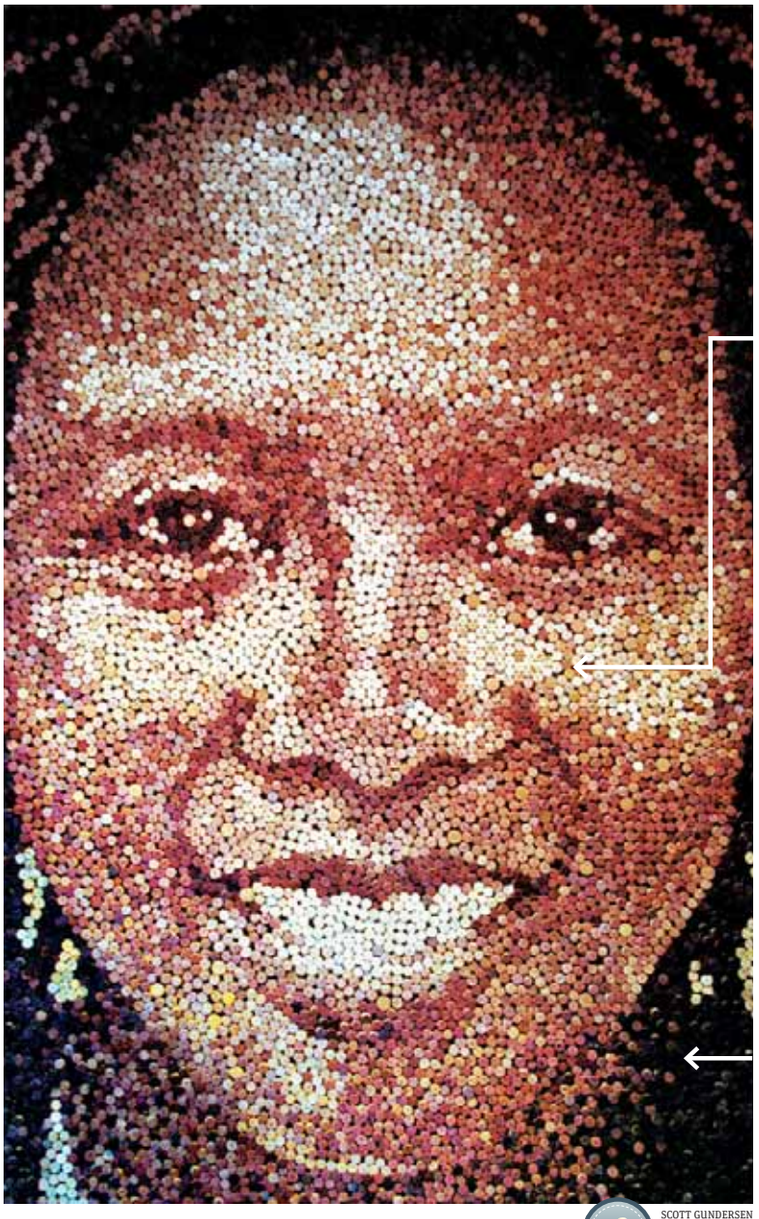
8 **Marissa Mayer, CEO.** Previously one of the top executives at Google, she was announced as the new CEO of Yahoo this week, making her one of the most powerful women in corporate America. Shortly after tweeting "I'm incredibly excited to start my new role at Yahoo! tomorrow," she tweeted another surprise: "Another piece of good news today - @zackbogue and I are expecting a new baby boy!" Girl power!

9 **Setting off the censor.** Forty-one-year-old Jonah Falcon was stopped by security at San Francisco International Airport last week because of a bulging "package" in his pants. Turns out it wasn't a weapon — but rather his anatomy. Yes, he's the world-record-holder for largest recorded penis: nine inches flaccid, 13.5 inches erect. Now this is one thing guys would be willing to be stopped for.

10 **Rich Kids of Instagram.** A Tumblr blog called The Rich Kids of Instagram has started up, which shows photos of rich kids from the likes of the Hamptons, Beverly Hills and the Big Apple doing things rich kids do — like flying in private planes and driving fancy cars. They're the children of the one per cent. Follow them on Twitter as well at @richkidsofinsta.

11 **Fifty Shades of Grey effect.** Total E-Bound Publishing has introduced Clandestine Classics — with literary gems such as Jane Eyre and Pride and Prejudice getting an erotic makeover — believing there is an untapped market among a new generation for racy versions of the 19th-century novels by the likes of Charlotte Brontë and Jane Austen. Enough already with the Fifty Shades of overreaction!

Put a cork in it — or several ...



SCOTT GUNDERSEN

'Up-cycling' portraiture

Wine corks used to create art

Anyone who truly loves wine will know about that insatiable desire to collect corks of your favourite bottles of red and white wine. Yet hoarding all those pieces of tree bark for sentimental value could be a sign of a pretty mischievous habit.

Here, artist Scott Gundersen shows how to use those corks to beautiful effect. The 33-year-old "up-cycles" thousands of used wine corks into amazing portraits. The portrait Grace, pictured, is made up of a staggering 9,217 wine corks and almost double that amount in nails, which hold the corks in place.

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Q&A

An eye for colour

Do you have to paint the corks?
That would be a terribly time-consuming thing, so I use the wine-tainted corks exactly as they are, with one exception. My Rwandan friend Grace, the subject of this portrait, has dark black hair and it is very difficult to find corks dark enough to replicate that. So to have enough dark corks I bought some wine that creates a very dark stain. I boiled it on the stove to concentrate the colour and then dyed a batch of corks before placing them onto my nail board.

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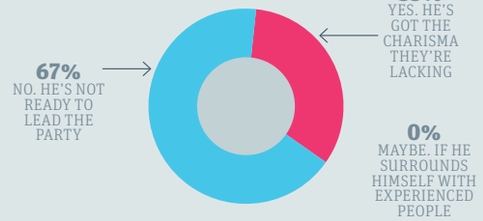
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The final installment of Chris Nolan's Batman trilogy is missing one thing — a great villain. HANDOUT

Reel Guys

RICHARD CROUSE AND MARK BRESLIN

Bring on the bad guys

The Dark Knight Rises. The finale in the Nolan trilogy is reminiscent of the beginning — but it needs a better villain

Richard: Mark, this story seemed like it played out in real life on our streets, albeit without capes, gadgets and murderous villains. When Selina purrs "You're all going to wonder how you ever thought you could live so large, and leave so little for the rest of us," into Bruce's ear, it sounds ripped from the headlines. Such is the timeliness of the film, but is this is a summer blockbuster, or a treatise on the haves and the have-nots?

Mark: The movie comes out squarely on the side of law, order, and social hierarchy. Chris Nolan is smart enough to know that if he wants to make blockbusters he isn't going to get financing from the 99 per cent. So the politics of the film are a bit confused, but the rest of it works. It's smart, if a bit talky, and beautifully cast. The big question is: Is it as good as The Dark Knight?

RC: I think it is more easily comparable to Batman Begins. Both those movies have the same kind of tone. As for The Dark Knight, I'd have to say it's as good, but in a different way. It's a more structured, linear film, mainly because the villain is more straightforward. Bane is a troublemaker — he's one part modern day terrorist, two parts Attila the Hun — but he lacks the Joker's unpredictability, which is the thing that made the middle movie such a treat.

MB: Yes, what's missing from this film is a great villain. It's hard to enjoy Bane through his face mask — Darth Vader he's not. Instead of The Joker, we now have The Mumbler. And many of the characters' motivations seemed unclear to me, especially Catwoman, although I liked Anne Hathaway in the role. She gets the best lines AND the best outfits. But it's Joseph Gordon-Levitt that really occupies the heart of the movie. He's the only one that seems human in it, so kudos to him.

RC: Agreed about Gordon-Levitt but I liked Bane's slightly nutty Shakespearean villain, even if some of his dialogue ended up sounding like a garbled mixture of drunken whispers and baby talk. Also, Hathaway, for my money, rocks it.

MB: She usually does, doesn't she ... If I seem a bit unenthusiastic about the movie, it's just that the last Batman was darn near perfect. It's a tough act to follow, but a few more action sequences and a more focused story would have helped.

Synopsis

Eight movie years have passed since Batman (Christian Bale) last donned the cape. He's become a recluse, having assumed responsibility for District Attorney Harvey Dent's crimes in the hopes that if the Dent anti-crime act worked Gotham would be peaceful. It was successful until a cat burglar named Selina Kyle (Anne Hathaway) put into motion a series of events that would draw the caped Crusader from retirement to fight his mightiest foe yet, Bane (Tom Hardy).

- Richard: ●●●●○
- Mark: ●●●○○

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SCENE

Scene in brief

Fred Willard caught in lewd act?

Actor Fred Willard, perhaps best-known as a dog-show announcer in the movie Best in Show, has been arrested on suspicion of committing a lewd act at a Hollywood adult theatre. Los Angeles police Sgt. Mark Ro says uniformed vice officers were conducting a routine investigation of the theatre shortly before 9 p.m. Wednesday and saw Willard engaging in a lewd act. Ro says Willard appeared to be alone. The 72-year-old actor was booked at the Hollywood police station on suspicion of committing a lewd act in public. Ro says Willard was released after midnight without posting bail.
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Filmmaker dares to be wild with 'Beasts'

Beasts of the Southern Wild. Benh Zeitlin takes an unconventional approach to producing his latest film

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No American independent film has landed this year with the impact of Beasts of the Southern Wild, a crowd-pleaser about a six-year old girl named Hushpuppy (newcomer Quevenzhane Wallis) riding out a natural disaster in the Louisiana bayou.

What's struck many critics about the film is its blend of offhanded fantasy and gritty realism — an unlikely combination that writer-director Benh Zeitlin says comes naturally.

"My head always goes to fables and myths," says the 29-year-old filmmaker, who not only wrote and directed Beasts but also helped to compose its soaring musical score.

Quoted

"Filmmaking is an amazing tool to get to know places and people. It has this unparalleled ability to open doors"

Filmmaker Benh Zeitlin on working in film in New Orleans

"Those are the stories I grew up with.

"But I'm most interested in people. My favourite movies are ultra-realist ones. I'm interested in both things, and Beasts was about trying to marry fantastical elements with very human characters."

As unusual as Beasts' style may be, the circumstances of its production are even more unique.

Like Zeitlin's award-winning short Glory at Sea, the film was produced with the Louisiana-based filmmaking collective Court 13, which stresses a collaborative, all-hands-on-deck approach. (Zeitlin was one of the co-founders).

"I think New Orleans is ideally suited for that sort of thing," says the director.

Beasts of the Southern Wild opens next Friday. HANDOUT

"Creativity is so much a part of the culture.

"We're making stuff by hand, everybody wanted to help. It was through making the short, meeting people, casting people in bars, that you end up with a community that grows and grows."

Some have been quick to point out that Zeitlin, who is based in New York, is not a part of that community but he says that he was quickly welcomed with open arms.

"Filmmaking is an amazing tool to get to know places and people," he says.

"It has this unparalleled ability to open doors.

"The very first time I got down there, there's some culture shock, it's a very territorial place and there's some culture shock ... but as it goes on it gains its own gravity and synergy.

"It attracts people to doing something wild and creative."

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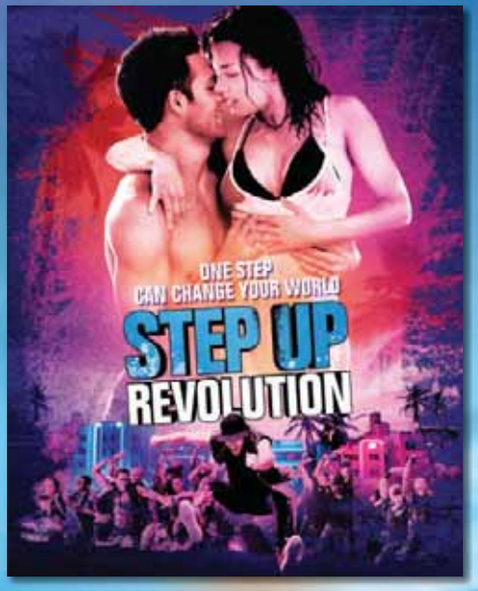

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Documentary

The Artist is Present

Director. Matthew Akers

Stars. Marina Abramović

Serbian-born New Yorker Marina Abramović's 40-year career as a performance artist begins as many such careers do: at a passionate pitch and at times over the top. Abramović is an iconoclast who risked her physical and emotional health to express herself — being ritualistically slapped, bumped into, carved, threatened and whipped. At 63, now calling herself "the grandmother of performance art," Abramović stages her least shocking, most profound and gruelling show, interacting wordlessly and tearfully with fans at MoMA. **ANNE BRODIE**

Comedy

Where Do We Go Now?

Director. Nadine Labaki

Stars. Claude Baz Moussawbaa, Leyla Hakim and Nadine Labaki

Caramel's Nadine Labaki co-wrote, directed and stars as a bar owner in a small Middle Eastern town where Christians and Muslims peacefully coexist. Until now. A teen prank goes wrong, inadvertently launching a holy war that the women try to contain with manipulation, tears, Ukrainian hookers and hashish cookies. It's entertaining but has more mood swings than Cher has costume changes. This head scratcher won the People's Choice Award at TIFF 2011. **ANNE BRODIE**

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Actress Kerry Washington, left, and comedian Jimmy Kimmel announce nominees on Thursday for Outstanding Host for a Reality or Reality-Competition Program during nominations for the upcoming Emmy Awards. CHRIS PIZZELLO/INVISION/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

The best that TV has to offer

Emmy Awards. 2012 Emmy nominations announced Thursday

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Nominations for the annual Emmy Awards, honouring the best in television, were announced Thursday, with cable TV dominating the field once again. Perennial awards favourite HBO dominated, picking up a staggering 81 nominations for series like Boardwalk Empire, Game of Thrones and Veep as well as movies and miniseries like Hemingway and Gellhorn, which earned 15 nominations alone.

Meanwhile, cable series American Horror Story, from FX, and Mad Men, from AMC, tied for the most nominations for a single program, earning 17 each. The Emmys will be awarded during a live broadcast in Los Angeles on Sept. 23, with Jimmy Kimmel hosting.

Here's a look at who's up for Emmys this year.

Comedy Series

- The Big Bang Theory (CBS)
- Curb Your Enthusiasm (HBO)
- Girls (HBO)
- Modern Family (ABC)
- 30 Rock (NBC)
- Veep (HBO)

Comedy Actor

- Jim Parsons, The Big Bang Theory
- Larry David, Curb Your Enthusiasm
- Don Cheadle, House of Lies
- Louis C.K., Louie
- Alec Baldwin, 30 Rock
- Jon Cryer, Two and a Half Men

Comedy Actress

- Lena Dunham, Girls
- Melissa McCarthy, Mike & Molly
- Zooey Deschanel, New Girl
- Edie Falco, Nurse Jackie
- Amy Poehler, Parks and Recreation
- Tina Fey, 30 Rock
- Julia Louis-Dreyfus, Veep

Drama Series

- Boardwalk Empire (HBO)
- Breaking Bad (AMC)
- Downton Abbey (PBS)
- Game of Thrones (HBO)
- Homeland (Showtime)
- Mad Men (AMC)

Drama Actor

- Steve Buscemi, Boardwalk Empire
- Bryan Cranston, Breaking Bad
- Michael C. Hall, Dexter
- Hugh Bonneville, Downton Abbey
- Damian Lewis, Homeland
- Jon Hamm, Mad Men

Drama Actress

- Glenn Close, Damages
- Michelle Dockery, Downton Abbey
- Julianna Margulies, The Good Wife
- Kathy Bates, Harry's Law
- Claire Danes, Homeland
- Elisabeth Moss, Mad Men

Reality Program

- Antiques Roadshow (PBS)
- Jamie Oliver's Food (ABC)
- MythBusters (Discovery Channel)
- Shark Tank (ABC)
- Undercover Boss (CBS)
- Who Do You Think You Are? (NBC)

Reality-Competition Program

- The Amazing Race (CBS)
- Dancing With The Stars (ABC)
- Project Runway (Lifetime)
- So You Think You Can Dance (FOX)
- Top Chef (Bravo)
- The Voice (NBC)

Miniseries or TV Movie

- American Horror Story (FX)
- Game Change (HBO)
- Hatfields & McCoys (History)
- Hemingway & Gellhorn (HBO)
- Luther (BBC America)
- Sherlock: A Scandal In Belgravia (PBS)

Lead Actor

- Woody Harrelson, Game Change
- Kevin Costner, Hatfields & McCoys
- Bill Paxton, Hatfields & McCoys
- Clive Owen, Hemingway & Gellhorn
- Idris Elba, Luther
- Benedict Cumberbatch, Sherlock: A Scandal In Belgravia

Lead Actress

- Connie Britton, American Horror Story
- Julianne Moore, Game Change
- Nicole Kidman, Hemingway & Gellhorn
- Ashley Judd, Missing
- Emma Thompson, The Song of Lunch

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The inside track on Katherine Legge

Girl's got drive.
Metro talks to one of the few women to make the top ranks of pro motor racing

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"I know I race like a girl," says a promotional slogan for Katherine Legge. "Try and keep up."

Not many can keep up with Legge, though. The 32-year-old is one of very few women in the top ranks of professional motor racing, the first woman to win the prestigious Rising Star award from the British Racing Drivers' Club and a competitor in the IndyCar Series — one of the jewels in the crown of professional racing.

Legge will be one of 26 drivers competing in this Sunday's Edmonton Indy. After that, the British native (she now lives in — where else? — Indianapolis) is off to the Indy Grand Prix of Sonoma in California. Here's an inside-track look at a self-confessed adrenalin-junkie.

How did you get started?
I got started in go-karts. We went on a family vacation to Spain and my dad, my uncle and me — I was nine years old — went to one of those "fun car" places. I loved it. Back in England, Dad and I spent every weekend racing, from Friday night to Sunday night, from when I was nine to when I was 19.

Katherine Legge. HANDOUT

When did you decide this was what you wanted to do?
I made the jump (to professional racing) when I won a scholarship to race in Formula Ford (an entry-level racing series) in 2005 when I came over to the U.S. I won my first race that year and came third overall in the Atlantics championship. That made a career possible.

Is your dad still involved?
My dad makes the trip from England to wherever I'm racing — North America, Australia, China. He's broke because of it. He can take credit for (my career success) because, yes, I've been the one driving the car but he's been the one behind me, giving me advice, propping me up and keeping me on a level ground.

Do women face particular hurdles in motor sports?
Absolutely, but it's changing. When I was on the way up, women were very much a novelty. Now there are more women in racing, and more being done to help them. FIA (Federation Internationale de l'Automobile, which governs auto-racing events around the world) has started a female racing commission.

Your fiancé, Peter Terting, is also a race-car driver. Is he as good as you?
That depends on who you ask! It's a good (thing) we don't race in the same series, because I don't think we would still be planning our wedding if that were the case.

What will you do after racing?
I haven't thought about it. I don't want to think about it. But one of my passions is letting girls and young women believe that they can be anything they want to be, that they can follow their dreams. I've just been announced as the female driver ambassador for the FIA. And I'm also an official spokesperson for the U.S. Girl Scouts' STEM program, which encourages girls in science, technology, engineering and math. When I stop racing I think I will be more active in (such activities).

Have you brought any young women into the sport?
I didn't set out to be a role model, I set out to be a race-car driver. But I have had young girls come up to me at the track and say, 'I'm racing because of you,' or 'you're my hero.' I think, wow. That's a lot of responsibility right there. So I've tried to conduct myself in such a manner that shows girls that whatever they want to do, go for it.

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Lohan and the porn star

Lindsay Lohan will in fact star opposite porn star James Deen in Bret Easton Ellis' sex-fuelled thriller The Canyons, the production company for the film confirms in a press release.

The film, which highlights "the dangers of sexual obsession and ambition, both personally and professionally," has had a strong social media presence, including raising $150,000 on Kickstarter.

"Everyone who landed their roles deserved them," Ellis says. "Using social media as a way to help build a film is really like riding the wave into the future."

Johnny Depp

Depp single again

Johnny Depp's brief rebound with former co-star Amber Heard looks like it's over.

"Amber has never wanted that sort of attention," a source tells RadarOnline. "She prides herself on being free-thinking and independent — not some homewrecker trying to sleep her way to the top. As soon as the media started publicizing the romance, she told Johnny that she needed some space."

Now that right there is disarmingly respectable. Is that a sense of remorse we're feeling? Could it be shame?

Interesting. Johnny Depp, come make the media feel better.

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The Word

Frankel's marriage on the upswing

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After only two years, Bethenny Frankel's marriage to Jason Hoppy was rumoured to be all but over. But now, the reality star says they're back on track after a rough patch earlier this year — well, probably.

"I think we have what it takes to make it work," Frankel tells People. "I don't have a backup plan. It's not like shopping for shoes and getting a new pair. That's not what it's about."

Frankel doesn't, however, gloss over their problems. "We've been scared," she admits. "The second year of marriage was not easy. We hit bottom, (but) we came out the other side."

We're impressed that they're working things out — especially when you consider what "rock bottom" means to someone whose resumé includes both Real Housewives and Skinnygirl Margaritas.

In lovelier news

We didn't mean to bum you out with crumbling reality TV marriages and Splenda-laced tequila. Let's check in with shiny happy couple Ryan Reynolds and Blake Lively, shall we?

"Blake and Ryan are so in love with each other," a source tells Radar Online.

"They're really cute and sweet and they're always talking about how they want to be together forever."

It's not the first time marriage rumours have surrounded the fairly new couple.

Earlier this week, Lively was cited as Reynolds' "wife" in a police report after the couple filed a complaint against a photographer.

Demi Moore. ALL PHOTOS GETTY IMAGES

Demi's kids won't 'completely abandon her': Source

While Demi Moore's relationship with her daughters Rumer, Scout and Tallulah Willis may be strained, they're certainly not as bad as Radar Online has reported.

Earlier this week, the website claimed the three girls were "seriously considering talking about a restraining order against Demi to stop her from contacting them," while a source tells the site that "Demi has been calling them incessantly and emailing them, leaving them tearful messages and begging them to call her, and the girls are sick of it."

But another source tells Us Weekly that things aren't that bad.

"It's true they're not all hunky-dory, getting along like they used to, but they're not about to go to those extremes," the source says.

"They love their mom at the end of the day, and they're never going to completely abandon her."

U.S. restaurant's anti-gay stance doesn't sit well with Helms

Office star Ed Helms is officially boycotting Chick-fil-A, claiming the U.S. restaurant chain's anti-gay stance has caused him to lose his appetite.

Helms is responding to a statement issued by Chick-fil-A president Dan Cathy ... who recently told a Christian publication that when it comes to accusations his company is actively opposed to gay marriage, Chick-fil-A is "guilty as charged."

Cathy claims his chicken people support the "biblical definition of the family unit."

In fact, Chick-fil-A reportedly donated nearly $2 million towards religious groups that oppose gay marriage in 2010 alone. The comments clearly didn't sit well with Helms ... who tweeted, "Chick-Fil-A doesn't like gay people? So lame. Hate to think what they do to the gay chickens! Lost a loyal fan."

Helms ain't alone ... the gay rights campaign NOH8 — supported by stars like Miley Cyrus, Lindsay Lohan and the Kardashians — has also called for a Chick-fil-A boycott.

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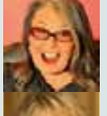

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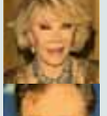

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Starbucks is opening a branch inside a funeral home. Coffee? Really? Aren't people jittery enough around dead bodies.

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About 65 per cent of the Canadians polled between the ages of 35 to 44 supported having the information, as did 71 per cent of those 45 to 54, and 53 per cent of those aged 55 to 64.

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On the Web

Shucked oysters garnished with cucumber-dill fresca special for parties

Liquid Assets

The taste of summer in a wine bottle

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It's summertime and while the drinking may seem easy, divorcing Tom Cruise could prove simpler than finding a wine to match casual, warm afternoon dining.

Of course while it all depends on the menu, most seasonal midday eats on my back deck are light and refreshing with a typical foundation of greens or something from the sea.

Though I hate being a weather wine snob, except for a fruity Pinot noir or gamay-based red (which I can chill), I'm all about whites this time of year. That's especially true for something fresh and zesty to match with salads (as long as I take it easy on the dressing), shellfish and simple chicken dishes.

Pinot grigio produces some great all-purpose wines in regions all over the world. But if you prefer a white with a tad more weight (but not gobs of wood or heavy fruit), reach for a glass of New Zealand sauvignon blanc.

Villa Maria Private Bin 2011 Sauvignon Blanc ($18.99 - $23.19) has all the grassy, gooseberry personality that's the hallmark of the grape accompanied by some food-friendly, lip-smacking acidity that, to put it simply, tastes like liquid summer.

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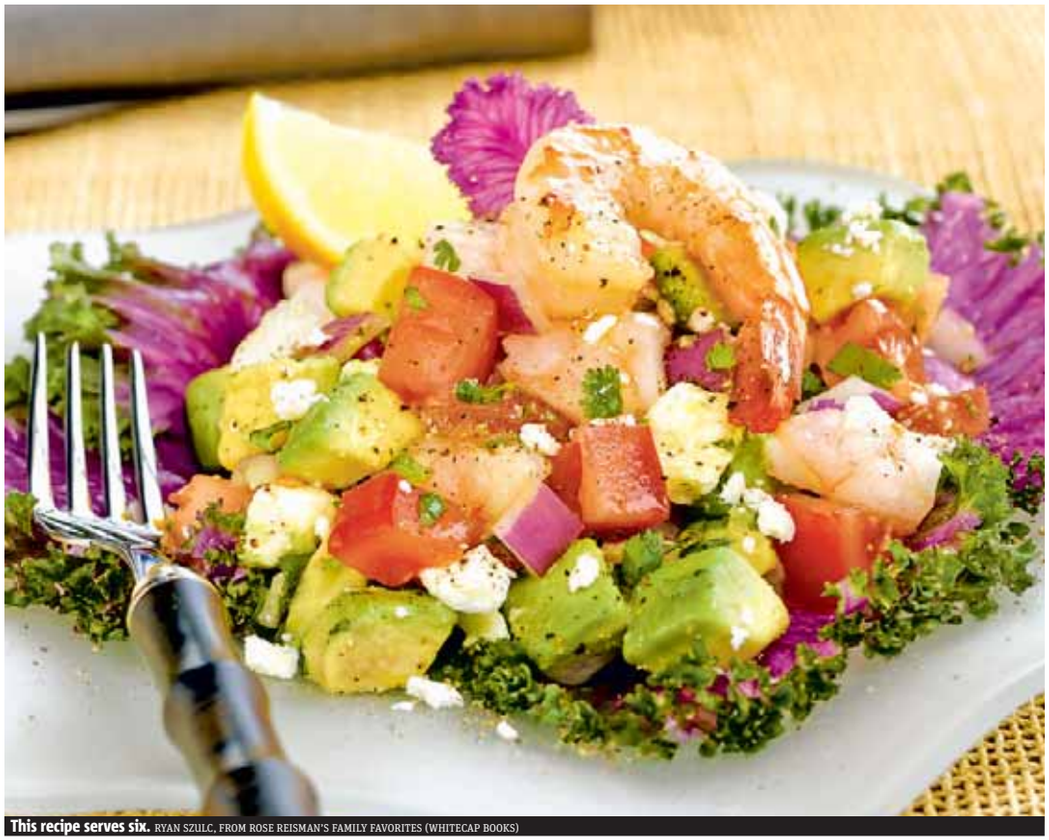

This recipe serves six. RYAN SZULC, FROM ROSE REISMAN'S FAMILY FAVORITES (WHITECAP BOOKS)

Warm-weather medley

Shrimp, Avocado and Feta Salad. This delicious combination is ideal for a light lunch on the patio

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Dice the avocado just before you're ready to serve the salad, or squeeze some lemon juice over it to prevent browning if you prepare it earlier in the day.

Always be sure to weigh your shrimp after it's been peeled. For each pound of peeled shrimp you need to purchase approximately 1¼ pounds of shrimp in the shell.

1. Spray non-stick skillet with cooking oil; place over medium-high heat. Cook shrimp just until pink, 3 minutes. Remove from the heat, cool and dice.

2. Combine shrimp with remaining ingredients in a large serving bowl and mix well. Serve immediately.

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Nutritional analysis

- 229 calories; 19 g protein; 13 g fat; 3.6 g saturated fat; 6 g carbohydrates; 127 mg cholesterol; 334 mg sodium; 2.6 g fibre

Ingredients

- 12 oz large shrimp, peeled and deveined
- 3 cups diced and seeded plum tomatoes
- 1 cup diced ripe avocado
- 1/3 cup chopped cilantro or parsley
- 1/4 cup diced red onion
- 1/2 cup crumbled light feta cheese
- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 2 tbsp freshly squeezed lemon juice
- 1½ tsp minced fresh garlic
- 1 tsp minced jalapeño pepper or 1 tsp hot sauce
- pinch salt and freshly ground black pepper

Have a few gaps in your schedule that you're looking to fill?
Whether you're looking to dance, drink or just relax, check out these hot upcoming events courtesy of Notable.ca.
To get even more info on these Notable happenings, make sure to check out notable.ca/nationwide/metro/July20

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An evening of vocal jazz

For the love of Jazz! Head down to The National Music Centre (132-11 Ave. SE) July 21 to catch the one-night-only performance of An Evening of Jazz. Two-time Jazz Vocalist of the Year nominee and Prix de Jazz nominee Rita Di Ghent, and Calgary's own Glennis Houston, will be performing a compilation of swinging jazz standards, blues and original compositions. Doors open at 7:30 p.m.

Fiestaval Latin Festival

This two-day multicultural festival on July 21 and 22 highlights all that Latin America has to offer. Head down to Olympic Plaza (228-8 Ave. SE), located in the heart of downtown Calgary, for an opportunity to experience Calgary's Latin community. Catch live performances, peruse various vendors and enjoy Latin treats at this celebratory expression of the Latin-American culture.

Kensington Sun and Salsafest

Like things a little spicy? Set fire to those taste buds during Kensington's annual Sun and Salsa Festival (10 St & Kensington Road NW) happening between 11 a.m. and 5 p.m. on July 22. Participate in the salsa-tasting contest as Kensington businesses serve up more than 500 gallons of 40 different salsas. You be the judge! While you're there, don't forget to check out Kensington retailers, restaurants, pubs and beer gardens, or peruse the multitude of vendors.

Voices in the Village

Curious what opera sounds like outdoors? Emerging artists from the Calgary Opera will be performing the first installment of a three-part summer series in East Village (618 Confluence Way SE) Sunday evening from 4 to 5 p.m. Bring a lawn chair, grab a snack and open your ears to this free public concert on RiverWalk by the Bow River. Be sure to get there early and snag a free cream puff from House of Cruffs — they'll be handed out to the first 200 people.

Mud Hero

If you're an adrenaline junkie who likes competition and adventure, then this race is for you! Taking place at Rafter Six Ranch Resort, Mud Hero is a rope-swinging, mud-crawling, ramp-running, wall-climbing, tunnel-diving, slide-slipping, net-crossing, tire-tripping obstacle run. With 15 natural and man-made obstacles, it's the only race of its kind that's 100 per cent Canadian-owned. The race starts at 10 a.m. July 22.

Now open: Freak Lunchbox

The newest shop to pop up on 17 Avenue (614A-17 Ave. SW), Freak Lunchbox brings Calgarians the weirdest, newest and hippest candy and pop culture items on the market, along with classic favourites. Inspired by circus sideshows, roadside attractions and, of course, candy, this family-owned Canadian business has locations throughout Canada and has even garnered a celebrity clientele. Check them out and satisfy your sweet tooth.

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Flyers sign Weber to offer sheet

NHL. Deal worth $100 million US over 14 years, says source, and Nashville has seven days to match Philadelphia's offer

Shea Weber is on the brink of becoming the dominant blueline force the Philadelphia Flyers desperately need.

Weber signed a staggering offer sheet with the Philadelphia Flyers and the restricted free agent could be a week away from bolting the Nashville Predators. A person with knowledge of the decision says the Flyers signed Weber to a 14-year offer sheet worth $110 million US.

The person spoke to The Associated Press on Thursday on condition of anonymity because the Flyers hadn't announced terms of the offer.

Flyers general manager Paul Holmgren confirmed early Thursday that the Flyers did sign Weber to an offer sheet. He gave no further details. The Predators issued a statement late Thursday morning confirming they had received the Flyers' offer sheet, which gives the team seven days to make a decision on matching the deal or letting the defenceman go.

"We have stated previously that, should a team enter into an offer sheet with Shea, our intention would be to match and retain Shea," Predators general manager David Poile said. "Our ownership has provided us with the necessary resources to build a Stanley Cup-winning team. Due to the complexity of the offer sheet, we will take the appropriate time to review and evaluate it, and all of its ramifications, in order to make the best decision for the Predators in both the short and long-term."

Shea Weber GETTY IMAGES FILE

Quoted

"We didn't go actively looking for an offer sheet. But when we spoke with Philadelphia, it seemed to be a right fit there." Jarrett Bousquet, Shea Weber's agent

Weber, 26, is the Predators captain and played on a $7.5-million arbitrator's award last season. He had 19 goals and 49 points along the way.

Nashville already lost free-agent defenceman Ryan Suter to Minnesota this summer, and losing Weber would be an unexpected blow to a defence-first team that had 104 points last season, took the No. 4 seed in the Western Conference and advanced to the second round of the playoffs.

Weber would fill the void left by Philadelphia defenceman Chris Pronger's absence. Pronger — a key cog in the Flyers' run to the 2010 Stanley Cup finals as a No. 7 seed — has been battling concussion problems and missed most of last season. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Adam Scott ties course record at British Open

Adam Scott of Australia plays out of rough to the 18th green Thursday at Royal Lytham and St. Annes golf club in England at the British Open. In surprisingly calm conditions, Scott raced out to the lead and almost into the record book. He stood on the 18th tee needing a birdie to break the major championship scoring record, and instead made bogey to settle for a 6-under 64. For weekend British Open results go to metronews.ca/sports. CHRIS CARLSON/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

TIME TO RITZ-UP OLD MCMAHON?

Pondering renovations in Calgary; Bruce blossoms with Lions; and Pierce needs to be given bench role

CFL EXTRA POINTS
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Calgary Stampeders: It's good to see Saskatchewan finally announce plans for a new stadium for Regina in 2017 as no group of fans is more deserving. Seeing as how countless Riders fans now reside in Calgary, could the well-heeled Rider Nation also pony up a few million for renovations to aging McMahon Stadium?

Saskatchewan Roughriders: You can't blame the top-ranked Riders for wearing their new white-on-white-on-white uniforms on the road. They entered Thursday night as the only undefeated CFL club, so no need to change road gear, but the bleached visitor duds make them look like ice cream salesmen working Canada's toughest neighbourhood. What's wrong with a little green just for old time's sake?

B.C. Lions: Lions receiver Arland Bruce is thriving in B.C., thanks in part to opposing defences focusing on Geroy Simon and top-notch passing from Travis Lulay. Now Bruce needs just 20 yards receiving Friday night against Edmonton to move past former Hamilton Hall of Famer Tommy-Joe Coffey for 12th on the all-time receiving yards list.

Edmonton Eskimos: It's hard to believe GM Eric Tillman has said he regrets trading QB Ricky Ray to Toronto. Granted, his comments came in the wake of a blowout loss in Regina, but the Esks have since improved to 2-1 under Steven Jyles and Tillman's comments have undermined the confidence of his new starter.

Montreal Alouettes: Als fans shouldn't be too confident a new four-year contract for head coach Marc Trestman ensures the very popular bench boss remains in Montreal for the duration of his deal. It's every American coach's dream to land a job in the NFL and every CFL head man has an "out" clause in the event a team from The Show comes calling. It could happen to Trestman.

Winnipeg Blue Bombers: He struggled against Toronto Wednesday night, but it's time to anoint Alex Brink the Blue Bombers starting QB and tag Buck Pierce as the full-time backup (whenever he returns from his latest injury). Pierce has missed almost half of Winnipeg's games with injuries since 2010 (his latest is torn ligaments in his left foot). It's clear, despite his abundant talent, Pierce will never be a rugged and reliable starter in this league.

4 SPORTS

Cycling

"He's got the talent but he doesn't know how it feels to be under pressure since January. We are about to win the Tour, this is the most important thing."

Bombarded with questions about his teammate Chris Froome, Tour de France leader Bradley Wiggins acknowledged the second-place rider's superiority in the mountains while listing his own strengths. Wiggins looks guaranteed to become the first Briton to win the yellow jersey of overall leader at the Tour. Froome, however, has reason to believe he was the best rider this year. The Kenyan-born Froome came to prominence last year when he finished runner-up at the Spanish Vuelta after starting the race as one of Wiggins' key support riders.

"Everyone in the team has to make sacrifices."

Chris Froome

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Mobile sports

Former NBA star Dennis Rodman finally met his estranged father after 42 years of separation, following an exhibition game in the Philippines. Rodman is just one of Philander Rodman Jr.'s 29 children by 16 mothers, but Rodman Jr. had been trying to see his son for a long time. Scan the code for the story.

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Hayden tones down the hype for London

Swimming. Mission, B.C., medal hopeful looks to put disappointment of past Olympics behind him

Brent Hayden during the Canadian Olympic and Paralympic swimming trials in Montreal on April 1.
STEVE RUSSELL/TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

Brent Hayden, a silver medallist at last year's world swimming championships, has been to two Olympics already.

They weren't much fun.

In 2004, Hayden swam poorly, which was the very least of it. Just before the end of the Games, he found himself in the middle of an early-morning street battle between Greek police and anarchists. The then-19-year-old was pulled into the middle of it, had the boots put to him, was cuffed and eventually released. Though Canada requested some sort of official accounting, Hayden received no satisfaction.

The "riot thing" is how Hayden remembers it now.

"That put a huge damper on Athens for me," Hayden said.

Four years later, he arrived in Beijing as the biggest star of Canada's swim team, a defending world champion at the sport's glamour event — the 100-metre freestyle.

Hayden expected two medals. He made the mistake of talking about two medals — in the 100-metre and the four-by-100 relay.

He dropped out of the 200-metre freestyle in order to concentrate on the relay.

In the 100-metre, he didn't qualify for the finals.

"I got caught watching (eventual silver medallist Eamon) Sullivan. I lost focus for just that one instant and then ..." said Hayden, drifting off.

Apparently, Sullivan was thinking of Hayden, too. The Australian set a world record in that semifinal heat. Sullivan may have cost himself gold by putting out too much effort too early in order to best the Canadian who'd topped him at the world championships.

Then Hayden's relay team rolled a fourth.

It was a disappointing Olympics for Canada in the pool — they've been disappointing for some time now — and a great deal of the usual hand-wringing was directed in Hayden's direction.

"I think I paid a little too much attention to my own media hype," Hayden said. "This time, I'm basically not caring what anybody says — whether it's positive or negative."

The four intervening years have been up and down for the veteran 28-year-old from Mission, B.C.

His body started to rebel. A series of cascading injuries ended up settling in the spot that plagues most aging swimmers — his back.

Hayden now has a team of therapists and a comprehensive regimen to keep himself afloat.

"Now when my back starts acting up, I don't go into panic mode. The back used to keep me out of the pool for two or three days. Now, I get some treatment and I'm back in the water the next day."

In the weeks before arriving in London, Hayden is criss-crossing Europe looking for tune-up races. One of the other things he's learned is that the mental and physical crush of a big meet cannot be simulated in training. He needs to arrive in a winning frame of mind, rather than trying to build himself up to one on the crucial day.

"It's important that the gears are already moving when I get there," Hayden said. "This has been a long learning process." TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE

London favourite

Since he's a come-from-behind swimmer, Hayden is a long-shot in the 50-metre.

- But in the 100-metre, he can take his pick of rivals. The favourite is 21-year-old Australian James Magnussen, pictured, a world champion and expected poster boy for the London Games.
- The men who finished after Hayden at the world championships, France's William Meynard and Brazil's Cesar Cielo, are also in tight.
- At last year's big event in Shanghai, only six-hundredths of a second separated second and fourth.

Tennis. Nadal a no-go to defend Olympic crown

Defending champion Rafael Nadal pulled out of the London Olympics on Thursday with an undisclosed injury, leaving the tennis competition without one of its leading stars and robbing Spain's team of its flag-bearer for the opening ceremony.

Nadal won the French Open for a record seventh time this year but has struggled with left-knee problems at times during the season. Shortly after winning his 11th Grand Slam title at Roland Garros, he lost to 100th-ranked Lukas Rosol in the second round at Wimbledon.

Nadal has not played since.

The third-ranked Nadal said Thursday he wasn't in condition to compete at the Olympic tennis tournament — which also will be held at Wimbledon.

"I have to think about my companions. I can't be selfish and I have to think of what's best for Spanish sport, especially tennis and Spanish players, and give fellow sportsmen with better preparation the chance to compete," Nadal said in a statement.

"I tried to hurry my preparations and training to the very last minute, but it was not to be."

The 26-year-old Spaniard has won two Wimbledon titles and claimed gold at the 2008 Beijing Olympics. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Quoted

"This is one of the saddest moments of my career."

Spain's Rafael Nadal after pulling out of the Olympics on Thursday

Security. Officials add troops in case manpower shortages get worse

There's nearly a week to go before the Olympics kick off in London and British officials are stuck playing defence.

On Thursday, the country's Olympics secretary said 1,200 extra troops were put on standby in case embarrassing manpower shortages get any worse, while U.K. border agents announced a strike for the day before the Games begin.

The one-two punch of bad news comes with only eight days to go, unbalancing a government which might have hoped to bask in the glow of pre-Olympic buildup. By far, the most embarrassing episode has been the inability of security contractor G4S PLC to deliver on its promise to supply about 10,400 guards to help keep the Games safe — a last-minute admission that has forced the government to call in 3,500 soldiers to help meet the shortfall.

Even without the planned walkout of border guards at London Heathrow, the airport has been beset for months by sporadic long lines at passport control, which the union blames on government spending cuts." THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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"We want to ensure the public against every eventuality. We don't expect to use them, but they will be there."

Olympic secretary Jeremy Hunt to Sky News on adding 1,200 standby troops for security

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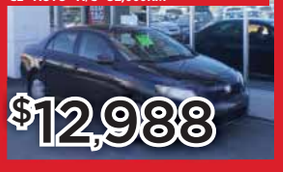
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EAST DIVISION	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	57	34	.626	—
Baltimore	48	44	.522	9½
Boston	48	45	.516	10
Tampa Bay	48	45	.516	10
Toronto	45	47	.489	12½
CENTRAL DIVISION	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Chicago	50	42	.543	—
Detroit	49	44	.527	1½
Cleveland	47	45	.511	3
Kansas City	39	52	.429	10½
Minnesota	38	54	.413	12
WEST DIVISION	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Texas	55	36	.604	—
Los Angeles	50	43	.538	6
Oakland	47	44	.516	8
Seattle	40	54	.426	16½

Thursday's results
Tampa Bay 6, Cleveland 0
Detroit 5, L.A. Angels 1
Baltimore 4, Minnesota 3
Seattle 6, Kansas City 1
Boston 3, Chicago White Sox 1
N.Y. Yankees at Oakland
Wednesday's results
N.Y. Yankees 6, Toronto 0, 7 innings
Oakland 4, Texas 3
Detroit 7, L.A. Angels 2
Boston 10, Chicago White Sox 1
Cleveland 10, Tampa Bay 6
Baltimore 2, Minnesota 1
Kansas City 8, Seattle 7
Friday's games
All Times Eastern
Baltimore (Mig.Gonzalez 1-1) at Cleveland (D.Lowe 8-7), 7:05 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Peavy 7-6) at Detroit (Verlander 10-5), 7:05 p.m.
Seattle (Iwakuma 1-2) at Tampa Bay (Shields 8-6), 7:10 p.m.
Toronto (Laffey 1-1) at Boston (Beckett 5-7), 7:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Blackburn 4-5) at Kansas City (Hochevar 6-8), 8:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees (Nova 10-4) at Oakland (Milone 9-6), 10:05 p.m.
Texas (D.Holland 6-4) at L.A. Angels (Weaver 11-1), 10:05 p.m.
Saturday's games
Chicago White Sox at Detroit, 4:05 p.m.
Texas at L.A. Angels, 4:05 p.m.
Baltimore at Cleveland, 7:05 p.m.
Minnesota at Kansas City, 7:10 p.m.
Seattle at Tampa Bay, 7:10 p.m.
Toronto at Boston, 7:10 p.m.
N.Y. Yankees at Oakland, 9:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION	W	L	Pct	GB
Washington	53	37	.589	—
Atlanta	50	41	.549	3½
New York	47	45	.511	7
Miami	44	48	.478	10
Philadelphia	41	52	.441	13½
CENTRAL DIVISION	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
Cincinnati	52	40	.565	—
Pittsburgh	51	40	.560	½
St. Louis	47	45	.511	5
Milwaukee	44	47	.484	7½
Chicago	38	53	.418	13½
Houston	34	58	.370	18
WEST DIVISION	**W**	**L**	**Pct**	**GB**
San Francisco	51	41	.554	—
Los Angeles	49	44	.527	2½
Arizona	44	48	.478	7
San Diego	38	55	.409	13½
Colorado	35	56	.385	15½

Thursday's results
Atlanta 3, San Francisco 2
Cincinnati 7, Arizona 6
N.Y. Mets 9, Washington 5
Chicago Cubs 4, Miami 2
Houston at San Diego
Wednesday's results
Milwaukee 4, St. Louis 3
L.A. Dodgers 5, Philadelphia 3, 12 innings
Pittsburgh 9, Colorado 6
San Diego 8, Houston 4
Washington 4, N.Y. Mets 3
Arizona 7, Cincinnati 1
San Francisco 9, Atlanta 4, 11 innings
Chicago Cubs 5, Miami 1, 8 innings
Friday's games
All Times Eastern
Atlanta (Hanson 10-5) at Washington (Strasburg 10-4), 7:05 p.m.
Miami (Nolasco 8-7) at Pittsburgh (Correia 6-6), 7:05 p.m.
San Francisco (Lincecum 3-10) at Philadelphia (Worley 5-5), 7:05 p.m.
L.A. Dodgers (Harang 6-5) at N.Y. Mets (J.Santana 6-6), 7:10 p.m.
Milwaukee (Estrada 0-3) at Cincinnati (Bailey 8-6), 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs (Dempster 5-3) at St. Louis (Lohse 9-2), 8:15 p.m.
Houston (B.Norris 5-7) at Arizona (Cahill 7-8), 9:40 p.m.
Colorado (D.Pomeranz 1-4) at San Diego (Marquis 2-5), 10:05 p.m.
Saturday's games
Atlanta at Washington, 1:05 p.m., 1st game
L.A. Dodgers at N.Y. Mets, 1:10 p.m.
San Francisco at Philadelphia, 4:05 p.m.
Atlanta at Washington, 7:05 p.m., 2nd game
Miami at Pittsburgh, 7:05 p.m.
Milwaukee at Cincinnati, 7:10 p.m.
Chicago Cubs at St. Louis, 7:15 p.m.
Houston at Arizona, 8:10 p.m.
Colorado at San Diego, 8:35 p.m.

WEDNESDAY

YANKEES 6, JAYS 0 (6 1/2 INN.)

Toronto	ab	r	h	bi	New York	ab	r	h	bi
Gose rf	3	0	0	0	Jeter dh	3	1	2	0
Lawrie 3b	2	0	0	0	Swisher rf	4	1	1	1
YEscor ss	1	0	1	0	Teixeir 1b	3	1	2	2
Rasms cf	3	0	0	0	AlRdrg 3b	3	0	0	0
Encrnc 1b	3	0	0	0	Cano 2b	3	1	1	0
Lind dh	3	0	0	0	AnJons lf	3	0	1	1
Arencii c	3	0	2	0	J.Nix ss	3	2	2	0
KJhnsn 2b	2	0	1	0	RMartn c	2	0	1	0
RDavis lf	3	0	0	0	Wise cf	3	0	2	2
Vizquel ss-3b	3	0	0	0					
Totals	**26**	**0**	**4**	**0**	**Totals**	**27**	**6**	**12**	**6**

Toronto	000	000	0—0
New York	400	101	0—6

	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO
Toronto						
R.Romero L,8-6	6	12	6	6	2	2
Beck	0	0	0	0	0	0
New York						
Kuroda W,9-7	7	4	0	0	0	5

HBP—by Kuroda (K.Johnson).
Umpires—Home, Marvin Hudson; First, Brian Runge; Second, Tim McClelland; Third, Ted Barrett.
T—2:12 (Rain delay: 0:58). A—45,986 (50,291).
E—Al.Rodriguez (6). DP—Toronto 2. LOB—Toronto 6, New York 5. 2B—Arencibia (14), Jeter (19), Cano (28), J.Nix (6), Wise (3). HR—Teixeira (19). CS—J.Nix (3).

TRANSACTIONS

BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE
BOSTON RED SOX — Reinstated 2B Dustin Pedroia from the 15-day DL. Optioned INF Mauro Gomez to Pawtucket (IL). Traded RHP Justin Germano to the Chicago Cubs for cash considerations.
CHICAGO WHITE SOX — Recalled LHP Donnie Veal from Charlotte (IL). Optioned LHP Pedro Hernandez to Charlotte.
KANSAS CITY ROYALS — Agreed to terms with C Jason Kendall on a minor league contract and assigned him to Northwest Arkansas (TL). Optioned RHP Vin Mazzaro to Omaha (PCL). Recalled RHP Will Smith from Omaha.
TORONTO BLUE JAYS — Optioned RHP Sam Dyson to New Hampshire (EL).

NATIONAL LEAGUE
CHICAGO CUBS — Designated RHP Jairo Asencio for assignment.
LOS ANGELES DODGERS — Assigned LHP Erick Threets to Albuquerque (PCL).
MIAMI MARLINS — Reinstated RHP Edward Mujica from the 15-day DL.
PITTSBURGH PIRATES — Assigned RHP John Kuchno to State College (NYP).
WASHINGTON NATIONALS — Reinstated RHP Drew Storen from the 15-day DL. Recalled C Sandy Leon from Harrisburg (EL). Placed C Jhonatan Solano on the 15-day DL, retroactive to July 18. Designated OF Rick Ankiel for assignment.

BASKETBALL

NBA
CHICAGO BULLS — Signed F Vladimir Radmanovic.

FOOTBALL

NFL
NFL — Suspended Chicago DT Nate Collins one game for violating its substance abuse program.
INDIANAPOLIS COLTS — Signed QB Andrew Luck and DT Jason Shirley.
NEW ENGLAND PATRIOTS — Signed LB Dont'a Hightower.
PITTSBURGH STEELERS — Released OT Jonathan Scott.
SAN DIEGO CHARGERS — Released DE Luis Castillo.

HOCKEY

NHL
CAROLINA HURRICANES — Agreed to terms with F Tim Wallace on a one-year, two-way contract.
COLORADO AVALANCHE — Reached an affiliation agreement with Denver (CHL).
COLUMBUS BLUE JACKETS — Signed C Ryan Craig to a one-year AHL contract.
MINNESOTA WILD — Signed D Mathew Dumba.
WASHINGTON CAPITALS — Signed F Tom Wilson to a three-year, entry-level contract.

ECHL
READING ROYALS — Agreed to terms with D Derrick LaPoint.

WHL
VICTORIA ROYALS — Named Dave Lowry coach.

LACROSSE

NATIONAL LACROSSE LEAGUE
BUFFALO BANDITS — Named Steve Dietrich general manager.

U.S. COLLEGE
CATAWBA — Named Jordan Clodfelter women's lacrosse coach and David McDowell assistant sports information director.
CLEMSON — Named Jimmy Garrity women's assistant basketball coach.
QUINNIPIAC — Named John Delaney assistant baseball coach.
RHODE ISLAND COLLEGE — Announced the resignations of softball coach Maria Morin, associate head softball coach Ken Stanley and assistant softball coach Kristen Norberg.
TREVECCA NAZARENE — Named Ryan Schmalz baseball coach.
YALE — Named Sarah Trowbridge women's assistant crew coach.

CYCLING

TOUR DE FRANCE

At Bagneres-de-Luchon, France
Thursday's results
17TH STAGE
1. Alejandro Valverde, Spain, Movistar, four hours, 12 minutes, 11 seconds; 2. Chris Froome, Britain, Sky Procycling, 0:19 behind; 3. Bradley Wiggins, Britain, Sky Procycling, same time; 4. Thibaut Pinot, France, FDJ-Big Mat, 0:22; 5. Pierre Rolland, France, Team Europcar, 0:26; 6. Jurgen Van den Broeck, Belgium, Lotto Belisol, same time; 7. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas-Cannondale, 0:37; 8. Tejay Van Garderen, U.S., BMC Racing, 0:54; 9. Christopher Horner, U.S., RadioShack-Nissan, 1:02; 10. Daniel Martin, Ireland, Garmin-Sharp-Barracuda, 1:11.
11. Andreas Kloeden, Germany, RadioShack-Nissan, 1:14; 12. Nicolas Roche, Ireland, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 1:30; 13. Jelle Vanendert, Belgium, Lotto Belisol, 1:39; 14. Richie Porte, Australia, Sky Procycling, 1:46; 15. Denis Menchov, Russia, Katusha, 1:55; 16. Christophe Kern, France, Team Europcar, 2:10; 17. Janez Brajkovic, Slovenia, Astana, same time; 18. Cadel Evans, Australia, BMC Racing, same time; 19. Michael Rogers, Australia, Sky Procycling, same time; 20. Ivan Basso, Italy, Liquigas-Cannondale, 2:37.
Overall Standings
(After 17th of 20 stages)
1. Bradley Wiggins, Britain, Sky Procycling, 78 hours, 28 minutes, two seconds; 2. Chris Froome, Britain, Sky Procycling, 2:05 behind; 3. Vincenzo Nibali, Italy, Liquigas-Cannondale, 2:41; 4. Jurgen Van den Broeck, Belgium, Lotto Belisol, 5:53; 5. Tejay Van Garderen, U.S., BMC Racing, 8:30; 6. Cadel Evans, Australia, BMC Racing, 9:57; 7. Haimar Zubeldia, Spain, RadioShack-Nissan, 10:11; 8. Pierre Rolland, France, Team Europcar, 10:17; 9. Janez Brajkovic, Slovenia, Astana, 11:00; 10. Thibaut Pinot, France, FDJ-Big Mat, 11:46.
11. Nicolas Roche, Ireland, France, AG2R La Mondiale, 12:58; 12. Andreas Kloeden, Germany, RadioShack-Nissan, 14:09; 14. Christopher Horner, U.S., RadioShack-Nissan, 14:22; 14. Chris Anker Sorensen, Denmark, Team Saxo Bank-Tinkoff Bank, 18:34; 15. Denis Menchov, Russia, Katusha, 22:42; 16. Maxime Monfort, Belgium, RadioShack-Nissan, 24:24; 17. Egoi Martinez, Spain, Euskaltel-Euskadi, 25:32; 18. Rui Costa, Portugal, Movistar, 29:23; 19. Eduard Vorganov, Russia, Katusha, 33:07; 20. Alejandro Valverde, Spain, Movistar, 33:38.

GOLF

BRITISH OPEN

At LYTHAM ST. ANNES, England
Par 70
First round

Adam Scott	32-32—64
Paul Lawrie	32-33—65
Zach Johnson	32-33—65
Nicolas Colsaerts	31-34—65
Brandt Snedeker	32-34—66
Ernie Els	33-34—67
Bubba Watson	31-36—67
Graeme McDowell	31-36—67
Tiger Woods	30-37—67
Toshinori Muto	31-36—67
Rory McIlroy	32-35—67
Steve Stricker	32-35—67
Peter Hanson	32-35—67
Jamie Donaldson	35-33—68
James Morrison	33-35—68
Thomas Aiken	31-37—68
Scott Pinckney	33-35—68
Anders Hansen	34-34—68
Jbe Kruger	31-37—68
Anirban Lahiri	33-35—68
Justin Hicks	33-35—68
Matthew Baldwin	33-36—69
Adilson Da Silva	37-32—69
Thongchai Jaidee	34-35—69
Matt Kuchar	35-34—69
Charl Schwartzel	34-35—69
Thorbjorn Olesen	33-36—69
Bob Estes	34-35—69
Brendan Jones	34-35—69
Steven Alker	35-34—69
Lee Slattery	32-37—69
Richard Sterne	33-36—69
Francesco Molinari	33-36—69
Fredrik Jacobson	34-35—69
Marc Leishman	34-35—69
Ted Potter, Jr.	35-34—69
Jeev Milkha Singh	32-38—70
Simon Khan	34-36—70
Kyle Stanley	35-35—70
Rafael Cabrera-Bello	36-34—70
Vijay Singh	36-34—70
Thomas Bjorn	36-34—70
Jason Dufner	32-38—70
Martin Laird	35-35—70
Troy Matteson	33-37—70
Aaron Townsend	34-36—70
K.J. Choi	35-35—70
Hunter Mahan	36-34—70
John Senden	33-37—70
Padraig Harrington	35-35—70
Luke Donald	33-37—70
Retief Goosen	35-35—70
Andres Romero	34-36—70
Garth Mulroy	36-35—71
Mark Calcavecchia	37-34—71
Greg Chalmers	36-35—71
Miguel Angel Jimenez	36-35—71
Bill Haas	37-34—71
Davis Love III	37-34—71
Nick Watney	35-36—71
Ian Poulter	34-37—71
Yoshinori Fujimoto	34-37—71
Tom Watson	35-36—71
Aaron Baddeley	35-36—71
Warren Bennett	34-37—71
Dale Whitnell	36-35—71
Juvic Pagunsan	34-37—71
Greg Owen	34-37—71
Marcus Fraser	34-37—71
Carl Pettersson	34-37—71
Harris English	34-37—71
Gonzalo Fernandez-Castano	33-38—71
Angel Cabrera	33-38—71
Bo Van Pelt	33-38—71
Keegan Bradley	33-38—71
Rickie Fowler	36-35—71
Alexander Noren	35-36—71
Richie Ramsay	32-39—71
Ashley Hall	40-31—71
Todd Hamilton	36-36—72
John Daly	38-34—72
Raphael Jacquelin	37-35—72
Stewart Cink	36-36—72
Sergio Garcia	36-36—72
Steven Tiley	36-36—72
Lucas Glover	35-37—72
Charles Howell III	33-39—72
Paul Casey	31-41—72
Mark Wilson	34-38—72
Simon Dyson	35-37—72
Ross Fisher	35-37—72
Sang-moon Bae	36-36—72
Louis Oosthuizen	34-38—72
Geoff Ogilvy	36-36—72
Toru Taniguchi	35-37—72
Jim Furyk	33-39—72
Koumei Oda	35-37—72
Barry Lane	37-36—73
Rafael Echenique	36-37—73
Chad Campbell	36-37—73
Johnson Wagner	36-37—73
Lee Westwood	33-40—73
Dustin Johnson	33-40—73
Kevin Na	36-37—73
Daniel Chopra	34-39—73
Joost Luiten	36-37—73
Nicholas Cullen	36-37—73

CFL

EAST DIVISION	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Montreal	3	2	1	0	84	100	4
Toronto	4	2	2	0	106	113	4
Hamilton	3	1	2	0	88	109	2
Winnipeg	4	0	4	0	78	141	0
WEST DIVISION	**GP**	**W**	**L**	**T**	**PF**	**PA**	**Pt**
Saskatchewan	3	3	0	0	83	37	6
Edmonton	3	2	1	0	62	42	4
B.C.	3	2	1	0	92	75	4
Calgary	3	1	2	0	106	72	2

WEEK FOUR
Thursday's result
Saskatchewan at Calgary
Wednesday's result
Toronto 25 Winnipeg 22
Friday's game
All Times Eastern
Edmonton at B.C., 10 p.m.
Saturday's game
Montreal at Hamilton, 7 p.m.

SOCCER

MLS

Wednesday's results
Montreal 2 New England 1
Toronto 2 Colorado 1
Los Angeles 2 Vancouver 2
Chivas USA 1 Portland 0
New York 1 Chicago 0
Houston 2 Kansas City 1
San Jose 2 Dallas 1
Saturday's games
All Times Eastern
Philadelphia at New York, 2:30 p.m.
D.C. United at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.
Montreal at Houston, 8:30 p.m.
New England at Sporting Kansas City, 8:30 p.m.
Portland at FC Dallas, 9 p.m.
Chivas USA at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.
Colorado at Real Salt Lake, 10 p.m.

NASL

Wednesday's result
Fort Lauderdale 2 Minnesota 1

Horoscopes

♈ Aries
March 21 - April 20
Be careful what you say today. It might offend co-workers and those in positions of power. The fact is that some people can't handle the truth, no matter how much you try to wrap it up in sugar coating.

♉ Taurus
April 21 - May 21
You seem to see plots and conspiracies wherever you look. You see way too much! Yes, it's possible that someone is planning to make life difficult for you, but more likely it's your imagination playing tricks on you.

♊ Gemini
May 22 - June 21
Do something that brings the smiles back to the faces of those you live, work and do business with. The world isn't really such a bad place. In fact at times it's a lot of fun, so stop taking life so seriously.

♋ Cancer
June 22 - July 23
Don't give up on a plan that does not seem to be making much progress. The planets indicate you are not far away from a breakthrough. If you admit defeat now, all your hard work will be wasted.

♌ Leo
July 24 - Aug. 23
The moon's eclipse of Mercury means you will find it hard to commit yourself to anything of substance today. The more others pressure you to take sides, the more you should sit on the fence. It's a safe place.

♍ Virgo
Aug. 24 - Sept. 23
You seem prone to negative thoughts at the moment, even though there is no evidence you have anything to fear. If you want to feel more secure, avoid situations where you are not fully in control of what's going on.

♎ Libra
Sept. 24 - Oct. 23
If you give way by even a small amount today, you will be expected to do it again. Before you know it, you will have lost most of what you gained in recent weeks.

♏ Scorpio
Oct. 24 - Nov. 22
The moon's eclipse of mind planet Mercury warns you may have overlooked some small but important detail. Before going any further, retrace your footsteps and see what it could be. You'll be glad you did.

♐ Sagittarius
Nov. 23 - Dec. 21
You may want to confide in a friend but the planets warn that isn't such a good idea. Some people can be awful blabbermouths and the last thing you want is for everyone to know your secrets.

♑ Capricorn
Dec. 22 - Jan. 20
It can be easy sometimes to wallow in self-pity and over the next 24 hours you will have to make a conscious effort to look on the bright side. Never forget that life is supposed to be fun.

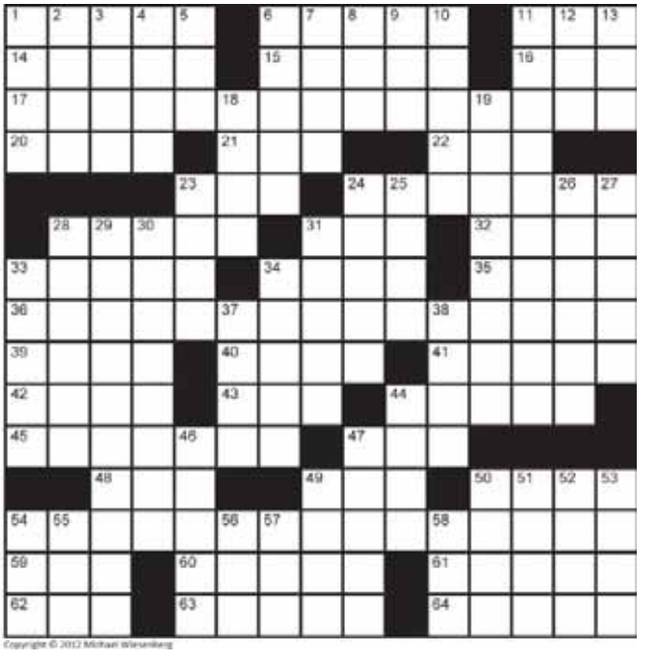
♒ Aquarius
Jan. 21 - Feb. 19
Someone in a position of power will give you a hard time today, most likely because you refuse to toe the line and do what they expect of you. Good for you. Don't let them push you around.

♓ Pisces
Feb. 20 - March 20
The reason why something no longer works for you is because times have changed but you have stayed locked in the past. What can you do to bring yourself into the 21st century? Start doing it today.

SALLY BROMPTON

Crossword: Famous Canadians

BY MICHAEL WIESENBERG



Across
1. Winnipeg-born Derek, defenceman for Jets
6. Winnipeg-born defenceman Duncan, alternate captain for Blackhawks
11. Deborah ___: Toronto-born R&B singer, songwriter, actress
14. Homer's epic
15. Shelter, as in a cove
16. DPRK neighbor
17. Raised in Vancouver wife, radio partner of Jack Benny
20. Sept-___, PQ
21. Dye brand
22. Wine: pref.
23. Chaney Sr., Jr.
24. PM #11
28. Python Michael
31. ER workers
32. ___ day: vitamin dosage
33. Sea birds
34. Bee ___: "Stayin' Alive" group
35. Lincoln et al.
36. Charlottetown-born J-Roc in *Trailer Park Boys*
39. *Trainspotting*'s Bremner
40. Formerly
41. Brief
42. Arrived
43. Fish eggs
44. Marshy
45. PM #15
47. In medias ___
48. Gat
49. And not
50. Rival rival
54. Hockey player and coach "Boom Boom" inducted 1972 into Hockey Hall of Fame after 16 years with Canadiens and Rangers
59. A Gershwin
60. Allege
61. LeBlanc who was 25th Gov. Gen. of Canada since Confederation
62. AB-born Wray who starred in *King Kong*
63. Actress Meg or Jennifer, both raised on Texada Island, BC
64. Kingston, ON-born rocker Bryan

Down
1. Winnipeg-born Kuzyk: Detective Patsy Mayo on *Hill Street Blues*
2. Israeli airline
3. Cork's place
4. Coral isles
5. "Good" cholesterol
6. Thunder Bay, ON-born *Durand of Dark Angel, Lost, X-Men Origins*: Wolverine
7. Send
8. Former Saudi king ___ Saud
9. ID ___
10. Chinese green tea
11. Toronto-born director (*Scanners, Videodrome, The Fly*)
12. Ball, buff, or cart ending
13. Classic Jaguar
18. Fe
19. Like a boat with two fewer than a dozen rowers
23. Catalog
24. *The Sun Also Rises* seductress ___ Ashley
25. Can. gas co.
26. Itsy-bitsy
27. "Café" order
28. Hawkish
29. Springhill, NS-born pop, country, adult contemporary singer
30. Pressured
31. Thick
33. Bail out
34. PQ-born one-named "werewolf" singer
37. Zeus's mate
38. Hwys.
44. Vassal
46. Decree
47. Capacious
49. Winnipeg-born Young called "Godfather of Grunge"
50. Millionaire shortstop, familiarly
51. It's bean
52. Work by Yukoner Robert W. Service
53. Sean and Yoko
54. ___ Naked: Indian-born, Winnipeg-raised punk rocker born Beth Torbert
55. Diamond stat
56. ___ Lilly
57. 128 US oz.
58. Filippo Lippi's title

Yesterday's crossword

What's online

See today's answers at metronews.ca/answers.

Sudoku

How to play
Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

	3	5				9		
			8	7				1
7					4			5
		3	9		8		1	
	4			2			7	
	2		1		7	3		
3			7					4
6				8	2			
		7				8	5	

Yesterday's Sudoku

6	7	2	1	4	8	5	3	9
3	4	8	5	7	9	1	6	2
1	9	5	2	3	6	8	7	4
9	8	1	6	2	7	4	5	3
2	3	7	4	9	5	6	1	8
5	6	4	3	8	1	9	2	7
8	1	9	7	5	3	2	4	6
7	2	6	8	1	4	3	9	5
4	5	3	9	6	2	7	8	1

Weather

TODAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
MAX: 22° MIN: 15°	MAX: 25° MIN: 14°	MAX: 24° MIN: 12°

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